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THE ELECTION.

The returns giving the vote on the new constitution look more healthy; indeed, there is a chance that the infamous swindle may be defeated. We advise our friends, however, not to be over-confident, and especially not to bet on the result—a practice under all circumstances to be discouraged and discontinued.

It is due to the good name of Chicago and to the other parts of the State, that some explanation should be made why our city vote was so meagre. Among other things, it should be remembered that no city in the Union has suffered so sensibly from the "stamp-tax" currency as Chicago. The changes were rung on this all over the city, and too many of our people were ready to believe that the new constitution would hereafter save them from all such matters. At an immense meeting on Monday night, Wentworth the arch-demagogue and author of some of the most infamous sections in the swindle, pulled from one pocket a handful of gold, and from another a handful of torn, greasy rags, and called upon every man to vote that he would always get his pay in "gold or 1 vote for the coin," said his sagacious. The effect of such appeals before an audience who had suffered so much, humbugged though they be, can be easily understood. The people forgot that they were cheated by a defective Democratic banking law, and by the rebellion of democratic States.

Many firebgners voted for the thing, in order that in a single year their friends might become naturalized. The Irishmen were assured by the crowd that if they voted for it the Police Commissioners would be ousted, and nearly every mother's son of them would be put on the police. Hard working mechanics were assured that their vote for the constitution would secure the coveted "Mechanics lien." By specious falsehoods like these, joined to an apathy and general unconcern among many opponents of the measure whose aspects were given to the result are called for our comments yesterday. We shall be glad to amend them on sufficient data, and it is now enough to say that the glorious work done by the rural districts puts this apparently nearer the range of possibility than any of the Chicago opponents of the Constitution could have imagined at the first view of the returns of evening following the election. A few days will tell the story, and in the meantime doubt must prevail sufficient to refer further jubilation on either side until result is known.

GEN. BUGGLES' MEMORIAL.

Memorial of Hon. Samuel B. Ruggles of New York to the President, detailing and urging reasons in favor of opening the locks of the Erie canal so as to allow vessels of war to and from the lakes. It will be found on the third page. It was committed to Congress by the President on Saturday, asking for it that degree of consideration which its "obvious and undoubtable importance" demands. The object of the distinguished author of the memorial is to nationalize our canals, by an elaborate collection of statistics, historical facts and incidents, and arguments that cannot be questioned, he has made the case so clear and convincing that there was little more to do than simply to show the law, to complete a work so eminently national, and necessary to our military and commercial prosperity. Mr. Ruggles has shown that he understands fully appreciates the present extent and prospective resources of the West. His document is well worty of careful study and preservation by all our readers.

ESTIMATE AND COMPARISON.

There will be several days before all the returns are heard from, and as the result in each election hids fair to be close we give below, by congressional districts of the election of 1860;

	Rep. maj.		Dem. maj.
1st District	12,511	8th District	2,246
2d "	12,264	9th "	4,961
3d "	5,937	7th "	2,393
4th "	4,665	8th "	3,341
5th "	2,925	9th "	13,942
	40,242	Total	26,428

Republican majority, 11,464.

We make the following estimate of the vote in the above districts for and against the new constitution at the election on the 13th inst. The returns from the five first Districts are so meagre that we only guess at the result. The four last districts have given, we think, the following majorities against the constitution: 1st District, 9,000; 2d do., 7,500; 3d do., 7,000; 4th do., 1,000; Total, 25,000. We estimate the probable result in the following districts as follows: 5th Dist., majority for it; 6th do., 5,000; 7th do., 3,000; 8th do., 4,000; 9th do., 9,000. Total, 21,000 for the Swindle. Perhaps the district will give more than the number assigned to it, but we think not, and have strong doubts whether the 8th will show 3,000. We think the question for the soldiers to decide, and if they get disfranchised, but are allowed to state their sentiments, and their votes are counted, the swindle will be defeated. If the men or party who undertake to do the gallant volunteers out of their

THE 10,000 PRISONERS.

Gen. Halleck deserves the gratitude of the loyal press for having previously required their representatives safely beyond the limits of the Hoosier State than did Lucifer the celestial World after being thrown to the battlements; Indiana has too good a record in the war for that. Yet it is cheering to hear the clear ring of the sounds for the Union, as shown by the full dispatch elsewhere of the grand Union convention at Indianapolis yesterday. Party issues are lost in the ardor of patriotism, and but one policy is put forward THE VIGOROUS PROSECUTION OF THE WAR, AND THE JUST PUNISHMENT OF TRAITORS. Let us be the watchword throughout the land, and let our Government understand that it calls the people pledge their lives and their fortunes. The startling plot of the traitors in Indiana is brought to light in the right place. The men who hold sympathy from this holy war forfeit their share of the bills, and when the collector comes round, the county will hold all the conspirators who are found to evade payment, unless they are too weak to resist the disposition of the people to hang all home rebels to the next tree. Disloyalty in Indiana will not go unpunished.

THE ELECTION RETURNS

CRAWFORD COUNTY.

York, 123 majority against.

WILL COUNTY.

Wilmington, a tie.
Joliet, 600 majority for the constitution.
Lockport, 48 " " "
Athens, 40 " " "
Matteson, 116 majority against.
Monee, 65 " "
Crete, 140 " "
Will county gives 300 majority against the constitution.

LIVINGSTON COUNTY.

Pontiac 40 majority against.
Odell 25 majority against.
Livingston county 300 majority against.

GRUNDY COUNTY.

Gardner 60 majority for.
Braceville 75 majority against.
Good Farm 81 majority against.
Highland 65 majority against.
Mazon 102 majority against.

ST. CLAIR COUNTY.

Belleville 165 majority against.

MADISON COUNTY.

Alton 200 majority for.
Godfrey 25 majority for.

MACOUPIN COUNTY.

Brighton 16 majority against.
Pearce 17 majority against.
Shepman 1 majority against.
Plainview 51 majority for.
Carlinville 15 majority for.
Bunker Hill 66 majority for.
Nelwood 30 majority for.
Virden 15 majority for.
Gerard 38 majority for.

SANGAMON COUNTY.

Springfield 249 majority for.
Auburn 33 majority for.
Chatham 14 against.
Williamsville 35 against.

MORGAN COUNTY.

Waverly 120 majority for.
Jacksonville 349 majority against.

LOGAN COUNTY.

Elkhart 58 majority for.
Broadwell 13 majority for.
Lincoln 9 majority against.
Eminence 125 majority against.
Atlanta 149 majority against.
Logan county complete, 400 majority against the constitution.

M'LEAN COUNTY.

McLean 80 majority against.
Shirley, tie.
Bloomington 224 majority against.
Towanda 127 majority against.
Lexington, 4 majority for.
Chenoa 15 majority against.

MARSHALL COUNTY.

Evanstown, 141 majority against.
Congerford, 17 majority against.
Henry, 188 for and 244 against.
Whitefield, 12 majority against.
Saratoga, 68 for and 136 against.
This county gives 220 majority against the new constitution.

WARREN COUNTY.

Monmouth, 204 majority against.
Young America 88 for, 201 against.
Warren county gives 400 majority against the new constitution.

DU PAGE COUNTY.

Naperville, 93 for and 239 against—majority against 146.
Lisle gives 65 for and 151 against—majority against 86.
Addison, 24 for, 149 against.
York, 34 for, 147 against.

KANE COUNTY.

Pekin, 628 votes in all—majority of 126 for the constitution.

JO DAVIESS COUNTY.

Galena gives 213 majority for the constitution.
Warren 128 majority against.
Menominee 65 against.

ROCK ISLAND COUNTY.

Rock Island city is reported 160 majority for it.

STEPHENSON COUNTY.

Freeport 4 majority against.

ALEXANDER COUNTY.

Cairo 342 for it, 82 against.

LAKE COUNTY.

Antioch 9 for, 230 against.

KANKAKEE COUNTY.

Kankakee City gives a majority of 194 against.
Bourbonnais Grove gives 200 maj. against.

GRUNDY COUNTY.

Official majority against new constitution in the county is 850.
Morris 120 odd majority against.

COLES COUNTY.

Ashby, 57 for and 158 against.

M'HENRY COUNTY.

Woodstock, 107 majority against.
Marengo, 230 for, 349 against.
Chemung, 211 majority against.
Seven towns in the county give 1,031 majority against. 10 towns to hear from.
Richmond, 28 for, 210 against.

LASALLE COUNTY.

Belleville 165 majority against.
Mendota 85 for and 364 against.
Northville, 57 for, 101 against.
South Ottawa, 44 for, 106 against.
Earlville, 63 majority against.
New Rutland, 23 for, 116 against.

MONONGH COUNTY.

Prairie City 117 majority against.

KNOX COUNTY.

Abingdon 5 majority against.
Cedar township 9 majority against.
Altona 67 for, 162 against.
Galesburg 98 for, 810 against.

HENRY COUNTY.

Geneseo 124 for, 396 against.
Annawa 44 for, 117 against.

DE KALB COUNTY.

Cortland 41 for, 188 against.
DeKalb 114, 176 against.
Sycamore 5 for, 118 against.
Malta 28 for, 83 against.
Sycamore 144 for, 245 against.

WOODFORD COUNTY.

El Paso 73 majority for.
Minonk 43 for, 101 against.

WINNEBAGO COUNTY.

Rockford voted 312 for and 955 against—majority against 643.
Pecatonica 61 for and 239 against—majority against 168.
Howard 21 for, 219 against.
Roscoe 19 for, 160 against.

WHITESIDE COUNTY.

Sterling, 160 for, 305 against.
Morrison, 91 for, 248 against.
Fulton, 99 for, 135 against.
Returns thus far indicate 1,500 to 1,800 majority in this county against new constitution.

Fulton, 43 majority against.
Como, 101 " "
Dixon, 197 " "
Courtland, 139 " "

OGLE COUNTY.

Polo, 160 majority against.
Lafayette, 12 for, 86 against.
Mt. Morris, 96 majority against.
Brookville, 11 for, 175 against.
Lane, 92 for, 252 against.
Oregon, 29 for, 126 against.
Marion, 11 for, 178 against.
Forrester, 100 majority against.

PUTNAM COUNTY.

Hennepin, 28 majority for.

BUREAU COUNTY.

Princeton votes 153 for and 306 against—majority against 253.
Concord, 128 for, 300 against.
Indiantown, 54 for, 168 against.
Macon, 15 for, 101 against.
Dover, 47 for, 163 against.
Selby, 16 for, 86 against.
La Moille, 39 for, 154 against.

BOONE COUNTY.

Belvidere, 302 against the constitution.
Caledonia, 153 " "
Benoa, 149 " "
Probable majority in the county, 1,380.

GLORIOUS OLD KANE.

	Maj.
Geneva	139
Batavia	74
Kaneville	50
Aurora	100
Burlington	100
Hampshire	156
Sugar Grove	130
Big Rock	130
Dundee	200
Elgin	180
Campton	180
Aurora	300
Elgin	300
Blackberry	130
Rutland	30
	2,513

LEE COUNTY.

Amboy gives 134 for and 205 against it—majority against 71.
Dixon, 189 majority against.
Chinn 170 majority against.
Lee Center 104 for and 111 against.
Reckford 15 for and 62 against.

THE INDIANA UNION CONVENTION.

THE HOOSIERS FOR THE UNION.

ORGANIZATION AND SPIRIT OF THE RALLY.

Startling Rebel Plot Brought to Light.

Indiana is for the War and the Union.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

INDIANAPOLIS, June 18, 1862.

The Indiana mass Union convention met this morning in the State House grounds. It was called to order by Col. Rose, U. S. Marshal. Judge John E. Elliot was made temporary President. A committee of one from each congressional district was appointed to report permanent officers. It was moved that a committee be appointed of two from each district, on resolutions. All resolutions prepared by caucusses were presented and referred to this committee without debate. While the committees were out Hon. Henry Secrist Douglas (Democrat) made a stirring speech, utterly ignoring party and party issues, pledging Indiana for men and money, without stint, to carry on the war. His attack upon the infamous Voorhees and Bright faction was most scathing and received with thunders of applause by the vast crowd. He closed with a stirring appeal to the people, bidding them to *crush out secession traitors in North and South*, and rally around the glorious Union.

The committee on permanent organization reported, Gov. Morton, chairman, with nineteen vice presidents and eleven secretaries. Gov. Morton took the chair and made a most eloquent speech. In the course of which he read a letter from Hon. James Hughes of Bloomington announcing the startling fact that secret organizations had been formed in Brown county for the purpose of resisting the national tax, and that similar societies were forming in other parts of the State. He called upon the convention and people to put them down. He was responded to most enthusiastically in the affirmative. A letter from Gov. Wright, written from Washington, was read, sympathizing with the objects of the convention.

The committee on resolutions was organized by appointing two from each congressional district and four from the State at large, by balloting for officers it was determined to allow one vote for every 200 voters, and one vote for each fraction of 100 in each county.

In the afternoon, prior to the opening of the convention, William A. Bickle, Martin M. Ray, Col. Kise of the 10th Indiana regiment, and T. N. Stillwell, all Democrats, made most stirring war speeches, taking ground that, while not in favor of Congress legislating on slavery, it must take the chances of the war, and rebels must take care of their negroes as best they could. The Democratic party had crawled upon their belly and eaten dirt long enough for slavery.

Balloting for candidates resulted in the following nominations:

Secretary of State—Wm A. Peele.
State Auditor—Albert Lange.
State Treasurer—Jonathan S. Harvey.
Superintendent of Public Instruction—J. J Mortson.
Attorney General—D. R. Williamson.

Both the latter are Democrats; the balance are Republicans renominated.

After the nominations were made, the committee on resolutions made a report, which was adopted without debate. The resolutions declare that the war was forced upon the country by Southern Slaveholders with out cause; that the people of Indiana pledge themselves to provide men and money for the vigorous prosecution of the war. That the war ought not to cease until the rebellion is entirely crushed out. That the people expect an economical administration and condign punishment of fraud against the government. That the people of Indiana tender their profound sympathy to Union soldiers everywhere, and their warm gratitude to the Indiana troops, and that while they are conquering southern traitors, the people will condemn as the ballot box all who are not for the Union unconditionally.

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More About Official Bogus News.

GEN. POPE ARRIVES FROM THE TENNESSEE.

Matters with General Halleck's Army.

THE CONDITION OF AFFAIRS AT MEMPHIS.

THE MEMPHIANS PLEAD FOR THEIR DIXIE CURRENCY.

COL. SLACK'S PATIOTIC RESPONSE.

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Gen Pope and staff arrived on the evening of the 16th from Corinth. As we have intimated heretofore in our dispatches, it turns out that the statement that 10,000 prisoners were captured by Gen. Pope is nothing but an elegant fiction on the part of Gen. Halleck, or made under a mistaken idea as to facts. A few prisoners, probably 300, were captured, but nothing like the number stated.

MEMPHIS, June 16—8 a. m.

There is no news yet from down the river, no boat having arrived from that vicinity. The city was rather active yesterday, the levee crowded with people. There was a number of arrivals from the north of steamers loaded with provisions and dry goods, boots, shoes, etc.

Several capitalists from above also are present, preparing to enter into business here.

Memphis is to be the grand centre of business, military and financial, for some time to come.

A great sensation was created here by a report of the rebels that Gen. McClellan has met with a defeat before Richmond. The *Avalanche* believes the story. It emanated from Corinth.

A letter from that centre of rebeldom and bogney dispatches announces that Beauregard's army is in most excellent order as regards health, morals and equipment, and that all rumors about its disorganizations are ridiculously false and absurd.

The following is Col. Slack's reply to the Mayor:

HEADQUARTERS U. S. FORCES,
MEMPHIS, TENN., June 14, 1862.

Hon. John Park Mayor.

SIR: The communication received from you in behalf of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the city of Memphis, has been most respectfully considered, and due weight given to all the statements therein made. The destitution and distress of which you speak, it strikes me, will be much more likely to effect very different classes of persons to whom you refer. It is a fact the truth of which I presume will not be questioned, that the so-called Confederate States loaned nearly all their notes in bills of the denomination of of fifty and twenty dollars. From this fact I conclude that the holders of these notes are principally who are dependent upon their daily toil for a subsistence, are not found with any large amount in their possession, for which you ask relief, and which, will strike a different class altogether. The calamity of having to throw out so depreciated a currency to which you refer will come upon the people sooner or later, and I see no reason why it should not be with more or less force hence. Those who have been active in getting up this wicked rebellion, are individuals whose pockets are well lined with the notes of the sixty days three should be given them, it is only giving that much for those who are deprived of the means to get rid of it without loss and the worthless trash will be found in the hands of the unscrupulous and designing, and who have been dupes of designing Shylocks, by inducing them to accept of a circulating medium which was loaned to aid in the destruction of the Federal governments ever known to civilization, never will by any act of mine or failure to discharge any duty required upon me as that which will directly or remotely contribute to the downfall of the government of Southern Slaveholders with out cause; that the people of Indiana pledge themselves to provide men and money for the vigorous prosecution of the war. That the war ought not to cease until the rebellion is entirely crushed out. That the people expect an economical administration and condign punishment of fraud against the government. That the people of Indiana tender their profound sympathy to Union soldiers everywhere, and their warm gratitude to the Indiana troops, and that while they are conquering southern traitors, the people will condemn at the ballot box all who are not for the Union unconditionally.

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A handcar through from Corinth arrived at Columbus on Monday.

The captured rebel gunboats Bragg and Beauter are being repaired at the naval depot. The work is progressing rapidly. They will be ready in a few days.

Gen. Strong was accidentally shot through the arm this afternoon, by the premature discharge of a revolver in the hand of a clerk in his office, which both were examining, supposing it was not loaded. The ball took off the thumb of the person holding it, and passed through Gen. Strong's arm, and made a slight flesh wound in his side.

The oath of allegiance was administered to nearly 300 persons yesterday, of whom about half were rebel officers and soldiers.

One of our tugs captured the rebel steamer Dodeca, near the mouth of White River, on Sunday.

MEMPHIS, June 16, *via* CAIRO June 18.—Col. Slack's order, suppressing the circulation of Confederate scrip, has created the most intense excitement here. Some of the more rampant secessionists openly threatened an outbreak yesterday, but the bristle of Union bayonets will be apt to cool their ardor.

The mayor and common council have had an interview with the commanding officer, and requested him to make some modification of his order. He will answer them to-day.

The rebel steamer Little Rebel, engaged in burning cotton on the Hatchie River, was captured last Friday by one of our tugs. She was brought down here on Saturday.

Capt. Check, arrested last Monday for alleged participation in hanging a Union man in Arkansas last fall, has been examined by a military commission and discharged, the evidence being insufficient to hold him.

The levee begins to present quite a lively appearance. It is filled with stores and forage for Government and private consumption.

The papers here continue to publish movements of Union troops hereaway, in conflict with orders from the War Department. I find that all the extracts relating thereto are suppressed by the telegraphic censor at Cairo.

Gen. W. T. Sherman is expected here. The "urbane, accomplished Col. Fitch," as he is called by Memphis papers, has gone down the river, probably in search of a more congenial climate.

MATTERS AT THE CAPITAL.

The Rebel Raid in McClellan's Rear.

THE SCANDALOUS NEGLECT OF OUR WOUNDED.

[NOTE—The following should have appeared in our last issue, but was detained by the storm:]

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

WASHINGTON, June 17, 1862.

Letters from the peninsula, dated Saturday, state that the rebels, in their raid on the White House Railroad, Saturday, captured a large number of mules and wagons, besides burning the bridge, firing into cars, and killing and wounding some fifty soldiers, and burning two vessels. Henceforward the railroad will be guarded.

Letters from Stono Inlet say: "Loyal Charlestonians of dark complexion" are flocking by hundreds within our lines.

The committee of conference on the tax bill have agreed to twenty cents per gallon on whisky, and to a reduction of taxes on tobacco below the rate fixed by the Senate, but not to those fixed by the House.

Senator Harlan and Representative Wilson of Iowa, with Col. Miller and Capt. Gregg, officers paroled to effect a general exchange of prisoners, presented to the President, to-day, a petition signed by 102 members (Representatives) and thirty-seven Senators, asking that measures be taken to secure the general exchange. The President expressed gratification to know the views of a majority of the members of Congress, and assured his visitors he would take steps to effect the desired end, and started for the War Department, as was understood, with the view of doing so immediately.

A sufficient number of members feel bound to vote for Mr. Porter's bill, and to defeat all amendments.

The United States Marshal of New York, under orders from the Navy Department, has released 120 prisoners, of whom many are foreigners. Of these, ninety per cent. are Englishmen.

Dr. Channing, of the Unitarian Church, offered the building to the War Department, and it was accepted for use as a hospital. The transformation is already taking place.

Mr. Spaulding supported in the House, today, the new Treasury Note bill, as a war measure.

After his speech, the question was postponed till to-morrow.

The bill will pass, but, probably with amendments authorizing the issue of twenty-five millions, in notes of denominations less than five dollars.

The House passed the amendment to the bill excluding slavery from the Territories adopted by the Senate, and it only requires the President's signature to become a law.

The Agricultural College bill, passed by the Senate, also passed the House to-day.

The Republican Senators had an informal caucus to-day, at which views were interchanged touching the present condition of the country, and some talk about the order of business. No conclusion was arrived at.

Rev. D. B. Nichols, formerly superintendent of the reform school at Chicago, is appointed superintendent of the "fugitive blacks" here, by General Wadsworth.

[The following completes our dispatch left unfinished by the storm.]

Short work was made with Surgeon D. L. Hays of the 110th Pennsylvania who left upward of 300 wounded soldiers from Gen. Shield's division, who were in his charge, in the cars over Saturday night, while he himself went to bed at Willard's. He admitted these facts when called before the Secretary of War this morning, but pleaded that he had vainly sought to find any official in Washington to tell him what disposition to make of the wounded. The Secretary having heard him through, said, in a tone calculated to impress his hearer: "That a man who could be guilty of such inhumanity was a disgrace to the army and the country, and should be forthwith dismissed from the service, and advised him to leave the room and the Department instantly." Had he not done so his movements would have been accelerated by the throng in attendance at the Department, whose verdict was that the Secretary had served him right. The friends of Dr. Hays claim that he was no more to blame than officials here, who, although advised that the train was to arrive, were not present to direct him what to do with the soldiers. But the truth is that the telegram to this effect, if sent, failed to arrive, in consequence of the storm, and neither the Surgeon General nor any of his subordinates here was apprised of the arrival of the soldiers, nor can any defense relieve Dr. Hays from the charge that he provided himself with a comfortable bed, while leaving the soldiers boxed up in the cars, without food or attendance. The Surgeon General, in a note to the Secretary of War, desired him to make an example of this man as a warning to others. The whole of the facts of this disgraceful transaction will be brought out in the report of the committee on the conduct of the war, in response to the resolution submitted to them by the House, on motion of Mr. Shellabarger.

An officer of the flotilla lying off Elizabeth City for months, says he frequently saw the headless bodies of Union men who were beheaded, floating down the river.

The committee of conference will exempt from taxation rectified liquors and stock on hand.

By general orders from the Adjutant General's office, private physicians are to receive $125 per month. Furloughs from captains or colonels are not to be given, and are not sufficient to relieve from a charge of desertion. No certificate from a physician in civil life, unless endorsed by military commanders, will avail. It is made the duty of military commanders to collect all stragglers and forward them to their regiments. Convalescents whither in army, State or private hospitals, are required to report to the nearest military commander. Until sent to join their regiments each military commander is required to publish a notice requiring all soldiers to report themselves without delay on penalty of being considered deserters. No discharges are to be given on account of rheumatism or where there is a prospect of recovering within a reasonable period of time.

A deputation of the religious society of progressive friends of Pennsylvania, with a memorial requesting the President to proclaim freedom to all slaves as a means of ending the war surely and speedily, arrived this evening.

Mr. Channing, Unitarian, is to preach in the Senate chamber while his church is in use as a hospital.

Col. E. N. Kirk, 56th Illinois was nominated a Brigadier General.

WASHINGTON, June 18.—Gen. Palmer of the topographical engineers, who was brought here yesterday, sick with the typhoid fever, died to-day.

The Senate, in executive session, confirmed the following appointments: A. C. Hunt, Marshal for Colorado Territory; Alvin Flanders of California, register of the land office at Humboldt; R. S. Gordon of Ohio, Assistant quartermaster of volunteers.

FROM M'CLELLAN'S COMMAND.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

WASHINGTON, June 18, 1862.

In executive session Senator Rice detailed his observations on the peninsula, which were not particularly encouraging, especially as regards sickness. In common with others he condemned the exclusion of the sick and wounded soldiers from White House, where an excellent spring of water was tabooed to their use.

Another senator asked whose fault it was? Another answered, "McClellan's."

Gov. Pierpont expresses himself very strongly against the policy of compelling the army before Richmond to dig and fight by turns, and says thousands of contrabands should be employed for such menial labors as campaign porters.

The emancipation substitute was carried in the House by eighty-two to fifty-four. Most of the absentees were on the other side. Most, if not all, the Republicans who voted for the reconsideration voted aye. Delano, Diven, Granger, Harrison, Horton, Kellogg of Illinois, Thomas (Mass.) and both the Rhode Island ders, voted no as before. This decisive majority leads to the hope that it will pass the Senate.

Ladies who visited McClellan's headquarters on Sunday, say it was the impression there that there were connections between Mrs. Lee and her entrance in Richmond and the rebel raid on the railroad on Friday, a proper return for the peculiar courtesy extended herself and family by McClellan, who sent her through our lines into Richmond. She had abundant means of getting necessary information as to our defenses, road, &c.

WASHINGTON, June 18.—A dispatch, received from McClellan this p. m., states that Col. Averill has just returned from a search after a party of guerrillas, but without luck.

He captured several wagons loaded with supplies intended for Richmond; also destroyed a quantity of rebel grain, and captured several important prisoners.

THE REBEL RAID ON McCLELLAN'S REAR.

[Correspondence New York Times.]

THE RIGHT WING, ARMY OF THE POTOMAC,
Friday, June 13—10 p. m.

To-day the right wing of the army was attacked by the rebels at a point little anticipated. It has been known for several days that the enemy has been lurking about Hanover Court-house, and a small force has been detailed every day to watch his movements. It seems, however, that the rebels became emboldened by the apparent indifference with which we kept watch of that section, by not having a larger force on guard, and made a bold dash toward our pickets and rear guard, which was not wholly unsuccessful.

The portion of our force engaged was companies B, C, F and H, of the Fifth United States cavalry, who have for the past few days stationed on picket duty at the Old Church, which is situated on the main road about midway between Clidckahominy bridge and the White House.

Early this morning company F was sent out on a scouting expedition to the right of the Hanover road. Company B and a part of company H having been detailed to picket the road leading to Hanover court house, establishing a line not far from that place. At about seven o'clock the rebels made their appearance and commenced an attack on our pickets, and succeeded in capturing nearly all of them.

At about the same time the scouting party also fell in with a large party of rebel cavalry, but did not venture to fire them until reinforcements should arrive, a messenger having been sent back to Old Church to get what force was remaining there.

The cavalry, however, were not to be delayed in his movements, and immediately made a dash upon our scouts, forcing them to retire, and on the retreat they were joined by company F and the remaining portion of company H, which the combined force turned and engaged the enemy.

The rebel force was estimated to be four companies of cavalry, one of infantry, and a section of artillery.

It did not take long to ascertain that the rebel force outnumbered that of our own, and that it would be useless to attempt to break or drive them. But our gallant band was determined to do the best they could, and shot the rebels that they had a good quality of metal to contend against. With this view one fine, under command of Capt. Royal, formed in line preparatory to making a dash. At the same moment the rebels opened their pieces, discharging which, the infantry came forward, and poured out a volley of musketry. The cavalry then came on in its turn, the continued effect of the whole causing our men to fall back to Old Church. Here they rall

The Tribune.

THURSDAY, JUNE 19, 1862.

THE NATIONAL FINANCES.

The columns of the TRIBUNE bear frequent testimony to the fact that in this matter of National Finance we have not failed to do our whole duty in the way of remonstrance and expostulation against the ignorance or negligence of Congress in refusing to protect the people against the pernicious effects of the floods of paper money, by which the business of the country is threatened. We have, again and again, pointed out the fact that the two financial systems—that for which the State banks are responsible, and that devised by the Federal Government for carrying on the war—cannot coexist, that one or the other must go down, and that with it a share, and perhaps no small share, of the industrial interests and prosperity of the North, will be dragged down also; that when Mr. Chase's system was put into operation, a blow ought to have been struck at its irresponsible but powerful rival, to the end 1st, that the people might be assured of a currency that had for its ultimate redemption the guaranty of the Republic, and 2d, that by the exclusion from the channels of trade of the circulation of the local banks, the paper issued by the Government might have no competitor in the field. We have not failed to frequently point out what ought to seem obvious to every tyro in finance, that the local banks in a state of suspension, but still to a certain extent commanding the confidence of the people, would be tempted to abuse the trust reposed in them, and throw out upon the country new and larger floods of their irredeemable paper, the use of which, at a small per centum of depreciation, would drive the specie rapidly and certainly into its hiding places; that their currency, worth less than treasury notes, would also drive treasury notes into bankers' vaults; that specie would steadily increase in price, and that by and by, on the heels of some disaster, or from the operation of some freshly wakened distrust at the money centres, the whole banking system would go down with a crash. We have dwelt so often upon these things that we have been afraid that our readers would tire of the continued iteration, and turn away from the whole subject with disgust. And as our warnings to Congress have had no effect save to draw out half a dozen private letters from members of that body, saying that "all is safe," we have been ready to abandon the ground, and never say bank note again. But the nearer approach of the calamities that we apprehended, consequent upon a realization of the conditions which we pointed out, demands of us to make one effort more, in the hope of waking up Congress to the imminence of the danger by which the monetary soundness, and, through the failure of that, the great national cause of the country is threatened.

The steady and now alarming depreciation of all paper, shown in the premium asked for gold, ought of itself, were there no other reasons for apprehension, to teach the legislators that there is not only a redundancy of paper afloat, but that the confidence of the people in the reliability of both the systems, to which we have referred, is seriously shaken; and ought to impel them, before they go home to their constituents, to devise some remedy by which the impending disaster may be averted.

There is but one course left. There has been but one policy which promised safety, since the day that the government was compelled to resort to treasury notes for the supply of its daily wants, and that policy was the taxing of the notes of all banks out of circulation, by the exercise of a power in Congress, the existence of which no sane man disputes. And the tax law bearing at first heavily upon all denominations of bank notes of five dollars and less, and, at length, with like weight upon issues of greater value, ought to have been incorporated into and made a part of the law which authorized treasury notes in the beginning. Then the government could have had the field to itself. It would have not only enlarged the sphere of its operations, but could have raised no inconsiderable revenue. The people would have a currency, the goodness of which could have been questioned only by those who despair of the preservation of the Republic; it would have been of uniform value all over the country; though unconvertible it would have commanded universal confidence, and if the amount had not been greatly in excess of the wants of the country's business, would have been at all times easily and cheaply converted into solid metal.

It is not too late now for Congress to retrace its steps, and stand, where it ought to have stood always, as the defender of the national solvency, and not the powerful promoter of national bankruptcy. It cannot recall the paper which it has authorized. It cannot undo the mischief that has already been done by excessive bank issues; but it can, and we hold that it should, shut up the doors of every bank of issue in the country by a process just as effective and just as speedy as will be consonant with the importance of the stake which the people have in a successful result. We assure the gentlemen at Washington that they are triflers and unworthy the places they fill, if they fail to do this thing; and the country will hold them responsible for their acts.

DIRECT RAILWAY TO THE MISSOURI.

However important the matters constantly attracting attention, our own citizens and all interested in the railways leading into Chicago from the seaboard should keep carefully posted in regard to the progress making in the extension of one or more of our railway lines to the Missouri. The necessity for the early opening of such a line is rendered more apparent and pressing by the prospect of the passage of the Pacific railroad bill if not at this, certainly at the next session of Congress. In this view of the subject, the present condition and prospects of one or two Iowa roads become a matter of much concern to all the business interests of the city.

One of the lines, leading directly west from Chicago, is composed of the Galena Air Line, reaching the Mississippi at Fulton; the Chicago, Iowa and Nebraska, extending the line west to Cedar Rapids, eighty-two miles, and the Cedar Rapids and Missouri River railroad, now finished, and in operation forty miles west of Cedar Rapids. This reaches a point 338 miles west of Chicago. Of the latter road, thirty miles more, carrying the track to Marshalltown, in the Iowa River valley, are to be finished during the present year, probably before the first of October. The road is all graded, the ties are being placed upon the line, the iron is purchased, and it is believed that the work will all be completed by the time specified. When at Marshalltown, less than 180 miles remain to complete the road to the Missouri.

For the last two years negotiations have been going on to lease the Iowa roads to the Galena company and run them as one line to the Missouri. It is so plainly the interest of all parties to effect such a lease that the public have been surprised that a just and mutually beneficial arrangement has not been effected. Various obstacles arose to prevent it on one side or the other, till a few weeks since representatives from the directors of the three roads met in New York and an agreement was signed, subject to the approval of stockholders, to submit the whole matter for adjustment to Capt. Wm. H. Swift of Boston. The matter was referred to the stockholders of the Galena road by circular, who almost unanimously sanctioned the arrangement. The stockholders of the Cedar Rapids and Missouri River road met at Cedar Rapids last Wednesday and approved the arrangement, with an unimportant modification.

The stockholders of the Chicago, Iowa and Nebraska road met at Clinton on Thursday and appointed a committee of five, to meet the directors of the Galena Company and agree on terms as far as they could, and submit the matters about which they differed for adjustment to any referee that might be selected. High respect for Capt. Swift was expressed and perfect confidence in him, but the Nebraska stockholders were unwilling to commit all their interests into the hands of any one man, however great his wisdom and his experience in railway matters might be. We have learned from leading gentlemen in the management of the Galena road that the modification will not prevent them from making an equitable adjustment of the whole matter, as the essential requisites of the arrangement under which it was proposed to make the contract can be carried out in the pending negotiations.

From what we learned in Iowa last week and from leading gentlemen connected with the Galena road here, we judge that probably the greatest obstacle to be overcome in making the contract, will be the ability, or rather inability of the directors of the Nebraska road to give a reliable title to the property. On this the Galena road will be likely to insist, and the matter must be disposed of in some way before the lease can be made. The affairs of the Nebraska road stand something in this wise. In round numbers there are five hundred thousand dollars of stock, eight hundred thousand dollars of *ten* per cent first mortgage bonds, seven hundred thousand dollars of seven per cent second mortgage bonds, and some thirty or forty thousand dollars of preferred stock, besides a floating debt of three or four hundred thousand dollars. The simple fact is, that the road has cost half a million or more above what it is worth; but this extra cost has accumulated mainly in interest and discounts on bonds. The ten per cent bonds were mainly if not entirely taken by the directors at sixty to eighty cents on the dollar, probably by most of them at about seventy cents. It is not at all probable that the road can be leased for enough to pay the interest on its bonds. The question for the public, who are interested in the extension of the road, and especially for the stockholders, is what is to be done? Wm. B. Ogden, J. W. Brooks and J. Edgar Thompson, if authorized to do so, would settle that matter in a day's time, justly and in the best possible manner for all parties. They would do as has been done in many similar cases, viz, raze the bonds, stock, and all claims, down to what they are worth on equitable terms, and issue a new stock or voucher to each man for his proportionate interest in the road. This course would be the best even for the ten per cent first mortgage bondholders, for we are assured that their collection will be contested in every possible manner; and besides, they can not afford by a foreclosure to unite the whole State of Iowa bitterly against them. The Galena road will be very likely to be enjoined from paying over any moneys under any lease that may be made till some such adjustment is effected. "To this complexion must it come at last," and for all the interests involved there can scarcely be a doubt that the sooner it comes the better. Neither the stock nor the bond holders can afford to have it stand in the way of a fair and equitable lease to the Galena road for a single month.

The public have a deep interest in these matters in view of the early completion of the line to the Missouri. Whatever stands in the way of that, every business man in the city should strive by all the means in his power to remove. If the Galena company obtains control of the line, strength enough can be concentrated upon it to complete it to the Missouri within the next two years. The business men of Chicago are two shrewd and far-seeing not to appreciate the immense value of such a thoroughfare to the prosperity of the city. Hence we shall take care to keep them advised as to whatever may delay or will secure so desirable an end.

THE WAR IN THE SHENANDOAH.

Our Washington correspondent, in his reference to the recent ill-starred campaign in the Shenandoah, confirms what the dispatches of the past few weeks have established in the minds of our readers, that the Federals have little cause for congratulation in the events following the retreat of Banks from Front Royal. If it is not a defeat it is such a victory as no army can well afford. Jackson did all he undertook to do and he did it as he has always done his work with a purpose, and we must confess he did it well. His errand in the Shenandoah was not permanent occupation. Our positions are too far southward not to greatly expose a rebel column pushed so far north. It was merely a diversion with an object, and his skillful management operating on our weakened column wrought a perfect success. Among the sources of regret the occurrence leaves behind it are the lives of gallant soldiers lost without substantial result gained. We are not left where we were, because weeks of repair and recuperation must elapse before our regiments regain their former condition. Passing this as one of the most common and obvious evils of a campaign there is another that we still more sincerely regret. It is the lesson which is of immense value to the cause of the rebellion, as to the *insecurity of Federal occupancy*. This alone, is worth to them tenfold more than every life and dollar the raid cost Jackson. When that officer first left the Shenandoah Valley before the advance of Banks, he assured the rebels that he should come back—and he has come back. On his latest retirement he left publicly with the Winchester rebels a similar promise that he should return again. That remains to be seen. But the effect inevitable to such a disaster is of record and cannot be rubbed out. It tends to make men in the infected districts, who would be for the restoration of the Union, could they be sure of protection, timid in the avowal of their sentiments. It is a killing frost to returning Unionism. Here, in the beautiful valley of the Shenandoah, were whole communities that only tardily went into the scheme of the rebellion. Many more, only did it at the last moment and under the compulsion of fear. These men welcomed the restored stars and stripes and were coming out to the support of the old flag, when back rolled the wave of war again, terrorism redoubled, and rebel ruffianism visited quick vengeance on Unionists thus taken unawares. The lesson will be sadly remembered and have its effect abroad as well as at home, there to win for the rebel cause stronger adherents and sympathizers, here to check the Unionism. Men at Memphis and New Orleans, at Nashville and through North Carolina will need even stronger assurances than before that the rebel arms will not re-visit their vicinity.

A MALIGNANT AND BASELESS CHARGE.

The Plymouth (Ind.) *Democrat*, a Vallandigham sheet, published in Hon. Schuyler Colfax's District, charges that the resolution recently introduced in the House of Representatives by that gentleman, to punish contractors guilty of fraud in the same manner as for felony, was designed to favor thieves instead of punishing them, and insists that "Mr. Colfax knew well enough that rascally contractors could be punished without Congress passing a resolution, if those whose business it was to see that the contractors did not swindle the Government felt inclined to attend to their duty." Where the fellow gets the information that contractors can be punished the same as felons, without a new law for that purpose, would be hard for him to inform the public, or any other man. There is no power in the government to punish the class of swindlers further than repudiating their contracts; and this the *Democrat* man knows, if he knows anything about it, which we presume he does not. Now Mr. Colfax wishes to treat them as thieves, to be sent to State Prison if convicted, and this his bill is intended to, and *will* do. The law is demanded as an act of humanity and justice to the soldiers, and to our treasury, and it is the only means by which this swindling which has run rampant from the inauguration of the war, can be arrested. Mr. Colfax cannot be damaged by such assaults.

Mr. Colyer Goes Back to Newbern.

Mr. Vincent Colyer, late of Newbern, N. C., who closed his contraband schools there, as he alleged, by order of Gov. Stanly, sailed on Tuesday in the steamer George Peabody for the scene of his former labors. Mr. C. desires not only to continue his school for the children of the white citizens of Newbern, now in such successful operation there, but it is his wish to establish similar schools, in each city or town of any importance which may come within the lines of our army, believing that in so doing he will be laying the foundation for a lasting peace and harmony. The cost of maintaining such schools is not much, while the good effect is incalculable.

Kentucky.

Gen. Lucius Desha of Harrison county, Ky., who was arrested a short time since on a charge of treason, imprisoned and afterwards admitted to bail, has been surrendered by his securities to the military authorities, and he was on Saturday last conveyed to Frankfort, and is now in durance.

The guerrillas are becoming exceedingly troublesome in many of the lower counties of Kentucky. They commit murder, lynch, take whatever horses and other property they please, preferring, of course, to robbing their own friends without remorse, whenever and wherever it suits their convenience.

Release of Mrs. Lee.

The wife of General Robert E. Lee, who has been for some time under guard in the house where she was found upon the arrival of our troops, in the neighborhood of Hanover, has been at last released, and sent over the lines to rejoin her husband. She has been closely confined, and no communication has been allowed with her or her family. She was placed in charge of a guard of cavalry, and in a close carriage, with her two daughters, crossed our lines near Meadow's Bridge. She is now safely in the rebel capital. We may soon follow her.

Death of Col Wood.

Col. D. E. Wood, of the 14th Wisconsin, died at his residence in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, on Monday night. Col. Wood had been ill several weeks, but it was not supposed dangerously so. Col. W. and his command were at the battle of Shiloh, where they did most excellent fighting. Col. Wood was about thirty-five years of age, had been a member of the Wisconsin assembly, judge of Fond du Lac county, and had filled other positions of responsibility in a faithful and conscientious manner.

Independent Canada.

A Quebec letter in the New York *Times* says that Thomas D'Arcy McGee has laid it down as desirable that Canada, instead of being a British garrison, threatening to and threatened by you, should become a neutral territory, whose independence should be jointly guaranteed to European and American powers. The correspondent adds: Whether the idea will ever fructify remains to be seen; it is certainly possible that Canada may become the political Switzerland or Belgium of America.

Wisconsin Twentieth.

Governor Solomon has appointed the remaining field officers of the 20th Wisconsin regiment. They are—Capt. Henry Bertram, of the "Watertown Riflemen," Co. A, 3d Wisconsin, as Lieutenant Colonel, and Capt. Henry A. Starr, late of Milwaukee, Co. D, 1st Wisconsin regiment, now in Tennessee, as Major. These are both gentlemen of experience and skill, and will fill their places with honor to themselves and their country.

Death of an Editor.

Clement E. Hopkins, a son of Bishop Hopkins of Vermont, for the past sixteen years city editor of the New York *Express*, died in that city on Monday, of congestion. He was in attendance upon his duties until within forty-eight hours of his death. He was a gentleman of excellent acquirements, and a true Christian man.

COL. CLUSERET.—Col. Cluseret, of the conduct of whose brigade in the battle of Cross Keys Gen. Fremont speaks in complimentary terms, is a French officer of eighteen years' service. He was with Garibaldi in two campaigns, and bore a letter from him to Gen. McClellan. He was introduced and commended to Senator Sumner by the eminent French historian Henri Marpin, and has proved himself a most gallant soldier.

☞ The Buffalo *Commercial Advertiser* says that Gen. D. B. Birney of Pennsylvania, whose conduct on the field of Fair Oaks caused him to be ordered to the rear, and who was subsequently relieved of his command for disobedience of orders, is a son of James G. Birney, the abolition candidate for President in 1844. The friends of Gen. Birney charge that he has been unfairly dealt with, and that they will make the charge good.

The Rebel Demonstration in the Shenandoah.

THE INSTRUCTIONS UNDER WHICH JACKSON ACTED.

The Baltimore *Clipper* has received from its correspondent at Winchester, Va., copies of important rebel documents found in the place by our troops after the defeat of Jackson.

On the 28th of May Gen. Johnston sent the following instructions to Jackson:

> "HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF NORTHERN, }
> "VIRGINIA, May 27, 1862, 9.15 o'clock. }
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> TO GEN. T. J. JACKSON.—General: I have just received your letter of yesterday by Lieut. Boswell. A copy of a dispatch telegraphed by that officer from Staunton reached me this morning. After reading, I wrote to you by a special messenger, suggesting a movement threatening Washington and Baltimore, unless the enemy will keep in your vicinity in force enough to make it rash to attempt it. He has no force beyond the Potomac to make it dangerous only what he has on this side need be considered.
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> "You cannot, in your present position, employ such an army as yours upon any considerable boarding direction. In the state of things here, either by preventing the reinforcements to McClellan's army, or by drawing troops from it by demonstrations. These objects might be accomplished by the demonstrations proposed above, or by a movement upon McDowell, although I fear that by the time this reaches you, Mc Dowell will have joined McClellan. The most important service you can render the country is the preventing the further strengthening of McClellan's army. If you find it too late for that, strike the most important body of the enemy you can reach. You compel me to publish orders announcing your success so often that you must expect repetition of expressions.
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> "Yours, very truly,
>
> "J. E. JOHNSTON."

"P. S.—It is reported this evening that McDowell is moving this way from Fredericksburg. It is probable.

"J. E. JOHNSTON."

Jackson obeyed these instructions by making his dash upon our forces in Western Virginia. Fremont is now returning the compliment with interest.

Letter from New Orleans.

We are permitted to make the following extract from a letter to a gentleman in this city dated New Orleans, May 9th, 1862. The writer has resided in New Orleans during the rebellion and for several years previous:

> * * * * * All the cotton in the city was burned on the approach of the Northern fleet, April 25th. I was upon the levee and saw the destruction. The cotton in bales had been hauled out of the press-yards the day and night previous. It was a sad sight to see such property. While the cotton was burning, men with axes were cutting open sugar hogsheads and knocking in the heads of molasses barrels, while others were rolling both sugar and molasses into the river; and as the fleet of war vessels approached, down floated among them ships and steamboats, also loaded with cotton, and in flames. About 15,000 bales were burned in the city and on ship-board. Only one small lot, guarded by bayonets, escaped destruction.
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> Eight or nine months past we have been, and are now, almost in a state of starvation; it has been impossible at times to buy flour, and for days we have been without bread. An ordinary dime loaf has cost eighty cents. Beef in market to-day is forty cents to *hands per pound*, according to quality. We have not had Irish potatoes or butter on our table for months. Eggs are still ten cents each ($1.20 per dozen.) Coffee has been $1.00 per pound; I paid for my last sixty cents. Lamp oil $2.50 to $3.00 per gallon. Salt five cents per pound. Rice 4a4 cents per pound. Tea $6.50 to $4.00 per pound. Corn brooms $3.50 to $3.00. Children's shoes $5.00 to $4.00 per pair; men's $10.00 to $12.00. Corn is still $3 00 per bushel. Hay $100 per ton.
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> On September 10th, 1861, our banks suspended specie and bank notes payments, and gave us for currency our good deposite Confederate notes only. The city was soon flooded with shinplasters issued by butchers, bakers, barbers, manufacturers, merchants, bar-rooms, theatres and car tickets still represent dimes and half-dimes."

RENDEZVOUSING.—It is believed that Gen. McClellan is being largely reinforced. Gen. McCall's division—made up mostly of the Pennsylvania reserve corps—has gone forward some 6,000 strong. Two regiments which have been doing guard duty on the Potomac, in the borders of Newport News, Old Point, &c., have also joined the grand army. Among these latter regiments is the 20th Indiana, Col. Dodge of this State. It is understood that a number of regiments are coming forward from the west.—*Albany Journal.*

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

The Campaign on the Shenandoah—Question of Adjournment—Reorganization of the Supreme Court—Secret Churches in Washington Turned into Hospitals—Speech of the Gossip and Faithful Servants of the Northwest in the House of Representatives.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

WASHINGTON, June 18, 1862.

The campaign in the Valley of the Shenandoah is supposed to be ended. It is hoped so at least. Several generals operating against Jackson in that quarter have been crowned with glory and honor in the New York papers. What are the facts? Jackson with 21,000 men (the *Star* says 15,000) has traversed a distance of over 200 miles, going and returning, and has escaped victorious over 37,000 sent against him. Victories are to be reckoned by the accomplishment of that which the general undertakes to do. Jackson, according to the revelations of his captured dispatches, was send down the valley to threaten Washington and Baltimore, and prevent McDowell's army from going to the aid of McClellan. This he did most effectually, thereby delaying the war six weeks at the most important juncture. Our generals were sent to get in his rear and capture his whole force or cut them in pieces. This they have not done. It would perhaps be improper to write the unpublished details of this ill-starred campaign at the present time. Probably the people would not believe them if published. It is admitted here by everybody, I believe, that Jackson, in his series of fights and skirmishes from Winchester to Port Republic inflicted considerably more injury than he received—making a stand here and darting away there, eluding tails force and overwhelming them, by a series of manœuvers which is unsurpassed by anything in the progress of the war.

The passion for an early adjournment of Congress has been a good deal mollified by the evidence of displeasure in the country when the House passed its resolution fixing upon the 16th of June. The plea of taking a recess of a couple of months has many advocates. What new and unexpected features the war may take on between the first of July and the first of December no one is prepared to say, but if the kaleidoscope of the past two or three months is a safe criterion it teaches our legislators that the country must not be left to chance a single hour during this crisis. If the Senate had adopted the House resolution of adjournment the treasury would have been left without the new issue of demand notes—no great disadvantage perhaps, but, in the absence of other measures, a grave and insurmountable embarrassment. The French invasion of Mexico, and the collection of Napoleon's war vessels on our coast, (six of which were in New York harbor last week) should at once put Congress to work to cut this period of peril, if they never do another. The rebellion is yet far from an end, and even if we had Richmond and Norfolk to-day, Norfolk or New Orleans, it would still be far from its end. What form it may take, and what means may be necessary to overcome it no one can predict with certainty. There are still at large some of the most important bills presented to Congress, to be acted on by one house or the other, the confiscation and emancipation bills, the Pacific railroad bill, the bill disqualifying perjurers like Davis, Slidell, Wigfall and Breckinridge from holding office, the bankruptcy bill, the bill re-organizing the supreme court, etc. The last mentioned bill has come back to the Senate in much better shape than before. The House amendment makes the new circuits as follows:

1. Ohio and Michigan.
2. Indiana, Illinois, and Wisconsin.
3. Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, and Kansas.

These circuits are compact and contiguous. The Senate bill put Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin, and Minnesota together, jumping a considerable lake, and making a ill-looking gerrymander as some of the legislative districts of Cook county under the new constitution. If this bill receives any further shape by the Senate, I judge it will be dropped by the House, and that no bill at all will be passed at this session.

The seizure of three or four secesh churches in Washington for hospital room, has greatly aggravated that numerous and influential class of the community. Has it come to this, they say, that we cannot worship God according to the dictates of our own conscience? Not at all. The effectual fervent prayer of that righteous man Lyle, who quarrelled with his bishop on the question of giving thanks for the deliverance of Washington from the fiery darts of blade and shot, will avail enough in his own closet as at the altar of Trinity. Some of these religious rebels console themselves with the idea that God will not prosper in cases of sacrilege. They forget also, that we, 10, and another at Fort Pillow, would have given the Confederates all the time they wanted, and the Western flotilla, as well as the Eastern navy would have had its Merrimac experience. The Mallory had an iron prow on her twenty-two inches thick at the base, with a projection of twenty-eight inches backed by a solid bow for twenty-five feet. The Eastport when finished would have proved her match. No one iron clad in the flotilla at the present time could have withstood for fifteen minutes the attack of such an adversary.

AN EXPEDITION

It is to be sincerely hoped that the expedition which left here yesterday morning has designs on law down in the Yazoo. The capture or destroyal of this boat is all that is left for the flotilla to do. Let it not then injure its well earned reputation by procrastination in this matter, but by prompt and energetic action finish its work and retire on the laurels which a grateful country will ever ascribe to it.

L. L. H.

FROM NASSAU.

English Steamers in Port—Arms for Rebels—Our Navy with an eye on them.

We gather some items of interest from this British Island, from a correspondent of the New York *Tribune*. Our government should send a naval fleet and blow the town to atoms. If England will not do her duty, and put a stop to the rascally operations going on there, it behooves us to do that work ourselves:

NASSAU, June 9, 1862.

The following are the names of seven steamers now in port, recently arrived from England: Memphis, Bahama, Loyd, Pacific, Tubal Cain, Hero and Oretes. The last named is said to be fitted out for a privateer, and report says that Lieut. Maffit, of the rebel navy, is to command her. Maffit is now here. There are so many different reports in circulation as to the nature of the cargoes on these vessels, that is difficult to arrive at facts. All parties, however, agree in saying they each have a cargo suited to the wants of "Dixie." I have no doubt most of them are loaded with arms, and are waiting the turn of events before attempting to run the blockade. Let our vessel off Charleston and Wilmington keep a sharp lookout, as they will prove rich prizes.

The steamer Cecil arrived a day or two since from Charleston, making the tenth time she has been successful in running the blockade; small sailing craft are arriving almost daily from Wilmington and Charleston. We should have a light steamer on this station to cruise near the shore, with Drummond lights attached to each, as by that means the vessels could easily be seen, as it is well known they have a regular time to come out except during very dark nights. Let our government look to this, as it is a very easy matter to put a stop to the large trade now carried on between this place and the South.

Your readers can form no idea of the bitter hostility expressed by the people here against the North. A Northerner can hardly express himself without being insulted. It extends to all classes, white and black, and I am sorry to say that some Bunkey Americans from the State of New York, who have been spending the Winter here, have proved themselves first class traitors; but, thank Heaven, they leave by this steamer, much to the joy of the few loyal and true Americans residing here.

[From the Nassau Guardian, May 31.]

H. M. S. Bulldog returned from a cruise off Abaco on Sunday morning.

Information having been received here from the lighthouse keeper at Abaco, that an English steamer was captured on the 27th of April, at 9 a. m., by a Union ship of war, within five miles of the Hole-in-the-Wall, and towed away in a northeasterly direction. Capt. McKillop made inquiries of the keeper personally, and found the statement to be correct.

The Bulldog exchanged colors with the U. S. steam transport Baltic, with troops steering to the southward, and about twenty American merchant ships, all bound south.

The same paper of May 17th says:

The screw steamer Hero (from Queenstown, which arrived here last night), was boarded by the Union gunboat Mercedita (since sunk) no less than three times, thirty-five miles E. N. E. of the Hole-in-the-Wall. Is this outrage to be reported to Washington?

We have before had occasion to remark that the port of Nassau was more effectually blockaded by the Union gunboats than that of Charleston, and shall we be compelled to repeat this assertion? It is not long since one of the Union gunboats actually came up to the mouth of our harbor and went off again without even saying "How do you do?"

It is true that H. M. S. Steady went out as far as the Hole-in-the-Wall after her, but she escaped with impunity. Surely it is high time that we had one or two gunboats stationed between the Hole-in-the-Wall and Berry Islands, to counteract the growing evil and protect our commerce.

The inexplicable manner in which the Bahamas have been shown up by dastardly and designing persons, whose espionage system is just beginning to be found out by our overconfiding population, demands us to speak out. We rejoice that we are living in a land of liberty, where everything is above board—a liberty far greater than of the land of boasted freedom where hundreds of citizens are cognarinded for daring to differ with their fellows on a point of Government.

Had Captain Semian acted in the United States as some of the citizens of America have acted here, he would have suffered the penalty of riding the rail, and been immersed in that most delightful of all baths, a feathered tribe have frequently added an extra coating.

Brutal Murder in Hancock County.

The Quincy *Whig* gives the details of as atrocious murder which was committed on Saturday evening last near Tioga, Hancock county.

A man named Lewis Gray, enticed his victim, a lad by the name of James Gordon, about ten years of age, and the son of the Rev. Mr. Gordon, a Baptist clergyman of Tioga, into the woods near the village, saying that he had something important to tell him, and murdered him in cold blood by beating him on the head with a club, and afterwards stamping on his breast until he was nearly beat to a jelly. He left him where he had killed him, and came back into the village, having the impudence to call at Mr. Gordon's soon after, inquiring if James had returned, and offering to go in search of him, which he did, looking in every place but the right one.

On Monday morning the body was discovered and the villain arrested. Public excitement rose to such a degree that there was much danger of Gray's being lynched immediately.

FROM THE FLEET BELOW VICKSBURG.

A Letter from a Chicago Boy.

STEAMER LAUREL HILL, Miss. River, June 10, 1862.

Having reached at last our destination, or rather having overtaken the advanced guard of our regiment, I deem it proper to put down upon paper some little statement of our expedition in its past doings and future prospects. In many respects our passage up the river from New Orleans is the most remarkable trip I have yet taken. Indeed, I am convinced history affords few instances of a boat unprotected save by its troops, penetrating an enemy's country 400 miles, passing towns, villages and plantations, running under great bluffs and by the edge of heavy forests, where batteries might have been concealed in such a manner as to have poured forth a single discharge; all this we have done and not heard a single gun. We attribute much of our safety to the fact that the enemy was deceived in our character, we having a sail craft on either side of us in tow, loaded with stores, we later that these vessels were mistaken for mortar boats. We got rid of our tows at Natchez, a hundred miles below, and since then have been under protection of the gunboats, several of which are plying between here and the place.

In respect to room, we have been more comfortable than usual, true, the men live upon the decks, but still they are not crowded. We have sent one or two foraging parties ashore, which have procured fresh provisions. In many places we find extensive cavalry passed up the river yesterday to capture the Confederate steamer seat above for safety. Their movements are properly looked after.

Gen. Mitchell is said to be in force opposite Shell Mound. A number of contraband negroes coming from McMinnville to Chattanooga, and arrested by the Union Confederates, were captured by the enemy on Friday last.

It is thought that the demonstration on Chattanooga may be a feint of the enemy to cover some other movement. All is quiet here at present. Several federal spies have been captured.

CHATTANOOGA, June 9—p. m.—From signs which are apparent, the enemy made a hasty retreat yesterday. It is evident that he was apprehensive of an attack which he did not care to encounter.

A few days will develop the enemy's intentions. In the meantime our generals are wide awake, watching the whole line, from this point to Cumberland Gap.

Our scouts bring no tidings of the enemy to-night. ORA.

RICHMOND.

RICHMOND, June 10.—Norfolk is being almost evacuated by the federals. The navy yard, fortifications and public works have been destroyed.

The troops have been sent to McClellan, to aid in the attack on Richmond.

The weather is cold, stormy, and disagreeable here.

Our sick and wounded are doing well. All quiet along the line. BOHEMIAN.

[From the Dispatch of the 7th.]

As reported for several successive days, little has occurred to break the monotony of the oppressive and unusual quiet of the lines. Every needful preparation has been made for any movement, offensive or defensive, but the impassable state of the roads precludes the possibility of active movements, should not the enemy take the initiative and force upon us—a consummation devoutly to be wished. Skirmishing of some kind, either with sharpshooters or artillery, goes on every day.

Yesterday morning, Capt. Squires, 1st company of the Washington artillery, together with Capts. Andrews and Hamilton, crossed some pieces of Col. Lee's command, engaged the enemy's batteries across the river. After a fight of three hours everything was silenced and drew, having suffered a loss of one caisson exploded and several men and horses killed.

Later in the day, Capt. Squires moved a section of his battery to a point commanding the river, where a regiment of the enemy was engaged in building a pontoon bridge. The shot and shell opened fire upon him with a spirited case and canister, driving them from their work in confusion, and killing and wounding a large number. In the evening, the battery shelled a house about one hundred yards from Dr. Garnett's, used by the enemy as an outpost for their pickets. Failing to set on fire, Lieut. E. Owen of the Washington artillery volunteered to take a squad of men and burn it. About a dozen of the 18th Mississippi accompanied him, and started at a double-quick towards the enemy's lines. Arriving at the house, Lieut. Owen crept in at the window and fired the staircase. In a short time the place was reduced to ashes, when they quietly retired leisurely, not receiving a shot, although within fifty yards of the enemy's lines, and in full view. General Magruder complimented Lieut. Owen for his gallantry, and expressed himself gratified at the result of the adventure. The enemy have not fired at our battaries since.

The state of the roads along our lines is, indeed, a serious matter, and in their terrible condition, from recent rains, renders the duties of quartermasters and commissaries the most laborious and irksome in the army.

The heavy firing on Thursday morning was a matter of much speculation and conjecture, the prevalent opinion being that it arose from a second attack on Drury's Bluff; but upon riding toward the line of fire, through acres of mud and innumerable mud puddles, we found the noise proceeded from an artillery duel then progressing on Garnett's farm, between some of our guns and those of the enemy's battery on the north side of the Chickahominy. For some time past the foe have been busily erecting earthworks, from which they keep up a continual fire upon the Mississippians drawn up in line of battle, and picketing in the bottom.

The 17th and 18th Mississippians being nearest to the enemy, their sharpshooters and artillery have paid them the greatest attention, never failing to shell them liberally every morning and evening. On Thursday, however, some few of our artillerists undertook to reply, and accordingly two pieces from the Louisiana, 1st Maryland, Hampton legion and Rowan (N. C.) batteries, drove upon a knoll near Garnett's house, before a wooded hollow, and kept up such a heavy, rapid and accurate fire upon the enemy that, although sufficient to double the strength of ours, they were forced to retreat to the woods, leaving many dead and wounded, which we saw conveyed from the field on stretchers.

Our position being accurately known to the enemy, we did not take the caissons into action, the limbers alone being attached, and when short of ammunition two other pieces advanced as the others retired, thus keeping up a continual and exciting movement, highly exhilarating and beautiful.

The fire on both sides was very accurate, but so fully were the foe replied to that a flag of truce was soon waving, as if for a cessation of hostilities. This was disregarded, however, as their only object was to gain time and bring up their artillery, which they succeeded in doing, when a perfect storm of shell was opened upon us from three points. Orders filled with promptness and alacrity. Our guns were silenced, and Officer Beach struck, between Fulton and Hamilton streets.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

PAYING EXPENSES.—Gen. Mitchell has captured cotton enough since his sojourn in Alabama to pay the running expenses of 120 miles of the Memphis and Charleston railroad—in his possession—for six months.

WHO IS HE?—A gentleman from the western part of this State informs us that a good deal of excitement exists in his vicinity, caused by the elopement of a college professor—the husband of an honest wife and the father of several children—with the widow of a prominent politician of this State, lately deceased. They are supposed to have gone to Europe.—*Ohio Observer.*

CANAL ENLARGEMENT.—There is a slight expectation that the proposition to enlarge the Erie and Oswego canals so as to admit of the passage of gunboats, will be agreed to in the House during the present week, but the desire to adjourn is so strong that few measures of this kind will be considered, and less adopted.—*Wash. Cor. Evening Post.*

—The New Orleans *Delta* is now edited by Captain John Clark, chief commissary of Gen. Butler's army, and Major John M. Bell, of Boston. Clark imbibed so much pro-slavery fever from the latter, during his night as formerly managing editor, that he will chime in easily with New Orleans sentiment; and Bell is a son-in-law of Rose Eliot Cleveland, like him, to "glittering and sounding generalities" about freedom and human rights. The *Delta*, except in professed loyalty to the Union, is essentially a slave organ of southern as the Hartford *Times* itself.

FIRE.—The saw mill and barrel factory in Lee, belonging to J. B. Greenough, of this city, was destroyed by fire on Thursday night. Much valuable machinery for the manufacture of barrels, together with a large amount of stock on hand, was destroyed. Loss about $6,000 or $8,000. No insurance.—*Marshall Expounder.*

HORRIBLE IF TRUE.—An army writer in the army of the Potomac writes: "Hundreds lying in the rear of our army have been forced to dig their own graves, then shot and tumbled in; all for following us. I state only what I know. I have heard much worse."

IMPORTANT RAILROAD ARRANGEMENT.—We learn that arrangements have been made for the completion within ninety days, of the railroad between Peoria and Galva. The work is to be done jointly by the Peoria and Hannibal company and Illinois River company—the former building the road from here to opposite Rankin, and the latter completing the bridge to cross the river and making the connections. This time there is to be no mistake in the matter. The necessary funds are already raised, and work is to be resumed at once. In addition to this, the gap of fourteen miles on the lower end of the Illinois River Road from Virginia to Jacksonville, will be completed this fall.

—At the battle of Fair Oaks a rebel soldier was wounded and taken to the federal hospital. He was in a terrible condition, and the surgeon in attendance, who rendered him every attention in his power, when suddenly the rebel drew forth a concealed knife and tried to stab his attendant. The surgeon parried the blow with his arm, and with his other hand drew a pistol from his belt, and killed the ingrate as he lay upon the operating board.

A Glouc ester man on Sunday week, a little German boy of this city, about four years old, wandered off to the small mill race of the Ann Arbor City mills, and fell into his home, accompanied by Dick, a middling sized spaniel dog owned by Mr. Albert Smith, clothing merchant, and while the little fellow was in the act of throwing a chip into the water for Dick to bring out, fell to the race and would have drowned, only for the presence of the dog and his intelligence in pulling the child by his clothing and bringing him to the shore. Several persons having seen the boy fall in, ran to rescue him, but when they reached the place the dog, with the little child seated over the little fellow, who was crying lustily, and would not permit them to touch the child till its mother came.—*Ann Arbor Journal.*

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Enlargement of the Canals.

Memorial of Hon. S. R. Ruggles to the President on Behalf of the State of New York.

To his Excellency, Abraham Lincoln, President of the United States:

The legislature of the State of New York, on the 23d of April, 1862, passed an act to adopt the canals of the State for the defence of the northern and northwestern lakes. Their joint resolution of the same date requested the governor of the State "to take such measures as he shall deem necessary and proper for inviting the attention of the general government to the measures proposed in the act, and their great importance to the national interests."

Pursuant to that resolution, the governor, having transmitted to the President of the United States a copy of the act duly authenticated, received a communication, unaccountably, having been officially connected for several years with the canals of the State, to present the subject proposed in the law to the consideration of the general government. In the execution of that duty, the principal facts necessary to be understood have been verbally communicated to the undersigned, and I am permitted, they are now respect ully laid before him in writing, and somewhat more in detail.

They fall under the two general heads of the national defense and the national commerce.

I. The practicability of employing canals as engines of national defense mainly arises from the recent unexpected but very important discovery, that impregnable mail-clad vessels, comparatively small in size, are capable of effectually resisting vessels of vastly greater dimensions; and further, that one such impregnable vessel would be able, in a few hours, to destroy a whole squadron of vessels of war of the discription heretofore in use. This striking truth, so signally demonstrated by the recent achievement of the Monitor upon the waters of the Chesapeake, almost within the hearing of the national capital, must inevitably work a radical revolution in naval warfare. Among other singular and immediate results is the greatly increased importance which it imparts to canals of moderate volume, heretofore supposed to be useful only for carrying vessels of commerce. As carriers of impregnable vessels of war, they assume at once a new dignity. They rise to the rank of naval channels, and become necessary parts of the machinery of war.

The interesting question then arises, what dimensions are required for canals to enable it to pass impregnable vessels adequate to the defense of our national waters, and especially the great chain of lakes?

On this point testimony is at hand of the highest authority, derived from a source no less reliable than Ericsson himself, the inventor of the Monitor. A letter herewith transmitted from that distinguished engineer and mechanician states: That an impregnable war vessel of twenty-five feet wide, and 200 feet long, with a shot-proof turret, carrying a gun of fifteen inches calibre, with shot of 400 pounds, and capable of destroying any hostile vessel that can be put upon the lakes, will draw, without ammunition coal, or stores, but six feet and six inches of water; and, consequently, will need only a canal wide and deep enough to float a vessel of those dimensions, with locks of sufficient size to pass it.

The Erie and Oswego canals of the State of New York, respectively connecting the Hudson River with Lake Erie at Buffalo, and with Ontario at Oswego, are seventy feet wide, and seven feet deep; but even present locks are too small for that purpose in question. The cubic contents of a locks required to float the impregnable iron vessel above described are about 38,500 feet. The present Erie and Oswego locks, which are only 90 feet long, 110 feet long, and seven feet deep, contain but 18,900 cubic feet. If enlarged to twenty-six feet wide, and 220 feet long (to admit the swing of the gates) they would contain 89,900 cubic feet.

In point of capacity, the canals of Canada far exceed those of the State of New York. The locks on the series of canals around the rapids of the St. Lawrence, within the British dominions, which afford direct and easy access from the Atlantic into Lake Ontario, are ninety-five feet long, and 22 feet deep, and have a cubic capacity of 72,000 feet. The present locks of the Welland canal, which opens a similar passage from Lake Ontario to Lake Erie, are twenty-six feet wide and 150 feet long, with a cubic capacity of at least 31,200 feet, which may be readily increased to the full amount required by lengthening the locks.

The Rideau canal, which connects Montreal with Kingston, on Lake Ontario, through an interior route by way of the Ottawa River, is five and one-half feet deep; but its locks are thirty-three feet wide, and 132 feet long. Their present cubic capacity is only 24,750 feet, but if length were added to 220 feet, would be 36,600. The greater width of the lock would measurably compensate for the shallow draught, and permit the passage of war vessels of dangerous dimensions.

From this brief summary it will be seen at once that the British government, whether designedly or not, has secured to itself the means of naval access to the lakes far exceeding those the United States now possess, and that the only appropriate and certain remedy for the evil is the corresponding enlargement, without delay, of the locks of American canals leading into that important chain of waters. On this point but little if any difference of opinion among citizens are very decided. Numerous petitions have already reached Congress from the inhabitants of the States adjacent to the lakes (including, among other eminent individuals, a former President of the United States,) in which they forcibly and truly state that "the want of a sufficient number of vessels of war during the season of navigation, a fleet of British gunboats from the Atlantic could prepare to take possession of the entire chain of lakes and the connecting waters," and earnestly solicit the government to adopt measures for their defence, without delay, by the enlargement of the locks of the Erie and Oswego canals, by increasing their opinion that "the immense national interests involved in the military possession of these waters can be secured in no other mode at so small a cost of time and money."

The country has learned with much gratification that the Committee on Military Affairs of the House of Representatives, in Congress, have already had this subject under attentive examination, as forming part of a general system of defence. The chairman of that truly national report recently made to the House by that committee, they express their correct conviction that "a small fleet of light draught, heavily-armed, iron-clad gunboats could, in one short month, in despite of any opposition that could be made by extemporized batteries, pass up the St. Lawrence, and shell every city and village from Ogdensburg to Chicago. At one blow it could sweep our commerce from that entire chain of waters. Such a fleet would have in its power to inflict a loss to be reckoned only by hundreds of millions, and at the wealth thus exposed to the depredations of a maritime enemy." The vivid language of their report utters but the truth in declaring that the whole wealth and commerce of these great inland seas "are now as open to incursion as was Mexico when invaded by Cortez."

It is no sufficient answer to assert that these canals of Canada, affording facilities of access so dangerous, were constructed only for commercial purposes. Nor indeed would it be safe. Taught by the experience of the war of 1812, the attention of the most eminent British statesmen and commanders has long been occupied with the importance of those canals, not merely as commercial but as military channels. Their struggles in that war to procure the naval command of Lake Ontario, together with the conflicts on Lake Erie and Lake Champlain, are well remembered. In 1814 the Duke of Wellington declared to the British ministry "that a navy sufficiently powerful on the lakes is a *sine qua non* of success in war on the frontier of Canada." The treaty of peace in 1815 was followed, in 1817, by a "diplomatic arrangement," by which Great Britain and the United States mutually agreed to dismantle their vessels-of-war on the lakes and reduce their naval forces on each lake "to one vessel of 100 tons burden for Lake Ontario, and one on Lake Champlain, each armed with one eighteen pound cannon, and on the upper lakes two vessels, two such vessels, armed with like force."

In 1819, but two years after that pacific arrangement, the Duke of Richmond, then Governor-General of Canada, transmitted to the secretary of state for the colonies a report from Lieutenant-General Sir Gordon Drummond, of a line of water communication, unquestionably intended as a military work, leading from Montreal, by way of the Ottawa River and the Rideau canal, to Kingston, on Lake Ontario. In 1823 it was determined that the cost of the work should be wholly defrayed by the mother country. In 1826, a commission, of which Major-General Sir J. Carmichael Smith was president, reported the estimated expense to the Duke of Wellington, then a member of the British Government, whereupon the canal, with connecting works on the Ottawa, was constructed, openly and avowedly as a military work, by the royal engineers, under the direction of the ordnance department. It was completed in or near the year 1831, at a cost exceeding a million sterling. The preamble of the act of the local Parliament in Canada, authorizing the taking of lands for the purpose, passed in February, 1827, expressly recites that "His Majesty's interest and direct measures to be immediately taken, under the superintendence of the proper military department, of connecting Hog's canal with the waters of Lake Ontario with the river Ottawa, and affording a convenient navigation for the transport of naval and military stores."

In 1841, Col. Durnford, of the Royal Engineers, in his testimony before a committee of the British Parliament, stated that provision was made for blasting in the removal of the rock in the cutting of the canal, and that the work being intended as a military communication, it was necessary that fortifications and works of defence should be erected at the entrance of the canal, and in its immediate vicinity at Kingston. A fortress of very considerable strength was accordingly erected, and is now the most important military work on Lake Ontario.

The completion and defense of this interior line of communication has been followed up by the construction of a series of short canals, of much greater size, along the St. Lawrence River and around the rapids. Their capacity is very far transcends any commercial necessity which can reasonably be expected on that line of communication for a long time to come. In point of fact, the descending trade of the upper province (accurately proponderating, like that of the Erie Canal, largely over the ascending,) is not one-third of that of the Erie Canal. Nevertheless, the existing locks of the Erie and Oswego canals, and the connecting Welland Canal are adequate to the passage of double of that it now has. The Lachine Canal, for example, which connects Montreal with the St. Lawrence, is capable of discharging per diem 300 boats, while three times that number pass through those on the Erie; from which three examples it is satisfactorily evident that the locks of the St. Lawrence have at least twelve times the capacity really required for any purpose of existing commerce.

It was the deep conviction of danger in this incapacity of the canals to be staked over the countries for the purpose of national defense, and the absolute necessity of regaining, without delay, that equality of naval access and condition intended to be secured by the treaty of 1817, which led the legislature of New York to pass the act of the 23d of April last. That act was in the views of the legislature fully apparent from the reports made in their senate and assembly. The report of Mr. Ogden, chairman of the canal committee of the assembly, substantially confirmed by that of Mr. Cook in the senate, truly asserts that these large dimensions of the Canadian locks, "so as to compel the meager vessels of Canadian commerce at the time, suggest that the higher object of military defence was not lost sight of by far-seeing British statesmen in their constructions; and they will not complain if, on a subject of so much moment we follow their example. A preparation for defence and improving for the rapid concentration of militia and defensive power in time of need, could not be construed, by any logical or fair reasoning, into hostile intent; nor would it provoke criticism in a nation careful as Great Britain is in placing herself in defensive position.

"Defensive measures are always pacific measures; their tendency and tendency are toward peace; they avert rather than provoke war; induce caution on the part of rivals and antagonists, and never provoke hostilities on the part of friends. It is submitted with entire confidence that the means of placing gunboats speedily and certainly on the border lakes will lead generally to peace and with our northern neighbor. She would respect us more, and surely not fear us less, if we stand on a perfect equality with herself in the particular referred to."

In opposition to these sensible and patriotic views, it has been asserted that no real necessity exists for enlarging the dimensions of our American canals for the passage of gunboats, but, on the contrary, that the safety of our office and commerce on the lakes may be fully and surely provided for either by the reconstruction and storing materials for gunboats at points on the canal near the lakes, or, in case of war, by marching a military force into Canada, to seize and destroy its canals.

In respect to the first of those expedients, it may be observed that even if it could be lawfully and wisely adopted under the existing relations and true intent of the existing treaty, the very materials thus to be stored for any adequate number of vessels (say, at $200,000 each), and probably destined only to decay through a long course of years, would cost very nearly, if not quite, as much as the whole expense of enlarging the six locks on the Erie and Oswego canals; and furthermore, that we should much underrate the resolution and activity of our vigorous adversary in assuming that, with his large and powerful fleet of gunboats, ready at any moment to be precipitated into the lakes, he would give us time to complete our vessels before the mischief would be done.

In respect to the proposed seizure and destruction of the Canadian canals, it may in like manner be observed that that is too in a spirit of perfect amity, that our British brethren, sharing with ourselves a descent from common ancestors, inherit, at least, a common love of liberty, which, through every change of circumstances, she has been a loyal member, she voluntarily and cheerfully surrendered to the general government, without right or reservation, the rich revenues from foreign imports, which her geographical position, commanding at once the ocean and the lakes, would have enabled her, with any views less comprehensive and national, practically to monopolize.

For the sake of that priceless Union, she gave up all to the common treasury, for the very purpose of enabling the national government, then called into being, fully and faithfully to discharge its sovereign and solemn trust of duties, among which none was more conspicuous or emphatic than the solemn and perpetual obligation imposed by the constitution, to provide for the common defense of the States." She does not presume or desire to calculate the value, or count the cost, of that glorious national acquiescence and self-sacrifice, in view of the scanty measure of protection and relief she now asks, far less for herself than the loyal group of sister States, richly clustering around the Gulf, who cannot refrain from stating that the duties collected at the single port of New York, and faithfully paid over to the national treasury, already amount to $671,068,057; of which immense sum $355,535,855 is included in the single decade from 1850 to 1860. These duties, it is true, were eventually paid by the consumers of foreign products, scattered broadcast throughout the nation, but it must be remembered that of those consumers a population of 10,856,000 are embodied within the States adjacent to the lakes, without including the narrow but very valuable strip of territory on the lakes waters belonging to Pennsylvania.

How much, or rather how little has been done by the general government to provide for the common defense of these States around these inland seas from hostile attack, sufficiently appears from the fact that the whole amount appropriated for every species of lake defence, by the present administration, is $1,070,650, while on the other hand the cost of the fortifications alone on the Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico, to say nothing of the hundreds of millions expended on the navy, has been $34,487,809.

To these facts the attention of the general government is now invited with no spirit of complaint or supplication, but only of unaffected filial respect. New York did not complain even in 1811, when the government, then administered by President Madison, denied the petition presented in her behalf by De Witt Clinton and Gouverneur Morris, two of her first canal commissioners, seeking the yearly measure of old which, at that early day, she really required for pushing the Erie Canal though her nearly untrodden territory out to the great lake wilderness around the lakes. The refusal, not particularly parental in tone or manner, served only to invigorate her youthful and unaided efforts, and compelled her to win alone the reputation she gladly would have shared with the ever-honored Union, of which she was, and ever will be, a useful and loyal though obedient member. But the present exigencies of her canals, like those of the kindred canal of Illinois, are wholly national in the duty of applying them to the common defense emphatically and exclusively national; and it would be neither just nor generous to require of her or Illinois separately to burthen their people for objects plainly of primary interest and necessity to all the States.

II. The question then arises, cannot the United States now afford to expend the amount necessary to defend those lakes, with their immense fleets of commercial vessels, from their present exposure to the fatal locks on the Erie and Oswego canals; and furthermore, that we should much underrate the resolution and activity of our vigorous adversary in assuming that, with his large and powerful fleet of gunboats, ready at any moment to be precipitated into the lakes, he would give us time to complete our vessels before the mischief would be done.

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To these facts the attention of the general government is now invited with no spirit of complaint or supplication, but only of unaffected filial respect. New York did not complain even in 1811, when the government, then administered by President Madison, denied the petition presented in her behalf by De Witt Clinton and Gouverneur Morris, two of her first canal commissioners, seeking the yearly measure of old which, at that early day, she really required for pushing the Erie Canal though her nearly untrodden territory out to the great lake wilderness around the lakes. The refusal, not particularly parental in tone or manner, served only to invigorate her youthful and unaided efforts, and compelled her to win alone the reputation she gladly would have shared with the ever-honored Union, of which she was, and ever will be, a useful and loyal though obedient member. But the present exigencies of her canals, like those of the kindred canal of Illinois, are wholly national in the duty of applying them to the common defense emphatically and exclusively national; and it would be neither just nor generous to require of her or Illinois separately to burthen their people for objects plainly of primary interest and necessity to all the States.

II. The question then arises, cannot the United States now afford to expend the amount necessary to defend those lakes, with their immense fleets of commercial vessels, from their present exposure to the fatal locks on the Erie and Oswego canals; and furthermore, that we should much underrate the resolution and activity of our vigorous adversary in assuming that, with his large and powerful fleet of gunboats, ready at any moment to be precipitated into the lakes, he would give us time to complete our vessels before the mischief would be done.

In respect to the proposed seizure and destruction of the Canadian canals, it may in like manner be observed that that is too in a spirit of perfect amity, that our British brethren, sharing with ourselves a descent from common ancestors, inherit, at least, a common love of liberty, which, through every change of circumstances, she has been a loyal member, she voluntarily and cheerfully surrendered to the general government, without right or reservation, the rich revenues from foreign imports, which her geographical position, commanding at once the ocean and the lakes, would have enabled her, with any views less comprehensive and national, practically to monopolize.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 19, 1862.

THE CITY.

DISTINGUISHED ARRIVALS.—Among the arrivals at the Tremont House last evening were Hon. Edward Everett, of Boston, and Dean Richmond of Buffalo, New York.

MR. EVERETT'S LECTURE.—Hon. Edward Everett, it should be remembered, lectures this evening at Bryan Hall, his subject is "The Pretexts for the Present Rebellion." Those who heard Mr. Everett in his previous effort, will not fail to listen to the distinguished orator to-night.

☞ For a choice assortment of the strawberry trade of Chicago, and judging from a lot received by Messrs. Huntington & Co., fresh arrivals, etc., No. 7 South Clark street, yesterday, from the garden of Geo. E. Kimball, Esq., Iowa City, we should consider her entitled to some. They were some of the finest berries we have seen this season.

CRICKET CHALLENGE.—Twenty-two of Aurora's "chosen cricket players" invite a like number of players from Chicago to meet them in that place on Friday next, the day of the grand excursion from our city to Aurora, on conditions to be made upon the grounds. Bats and balls will be furnished there, and those wishing to accept this challenge, are requested to drop a note to-day to that city, addressed "Aurora."

PLYMOUTH CHURCH—INSTALLATION.—The council called by this church to assist in the installation of Rev. J. R. Shipherd, meets this afternoon at two o'clock, at the house of worship, corner of Van Buren street and 3d Avenue. The services connected with the installation will take place in the evening, at a quarter to eight o'clock. All friends of the church, and the public generally, are invited to be present.

YOUNG THIEF.—A boy about thirteen years of age was arrested last night by the North Side Police, charged with stealing a silver watch of the value of $12 from his employer, Morris Drukker, at No. 192 North Clark st. He had been with Mr. D. but one day, commencing Tuesday morning, and on the following day he was missing and so was the watch. He confessed the theft, and said he had sold it for $1.50. He will be examined this morning in the Police Court.

HELD TO BAIL.—The final examination in the case of Henry Treckel and his wife Wilhelmina, charged with larceny from the store of A. G. Downs, was held yesterday afternoon before Justice Morse, at the Central Police Station, before Justice Milliken, resulting in holding the parties in the sum of $500 for trial in the Recorder's Court. There is no doubt but they have been carrying on the shoplifting business a long time, as the place and manner of their living precludes the supposition of their having come by them honestly.

MECHANICAL, FINE ART, AND AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITION.—We notice that the directors of the Mechanics' Institute are making preparations to hold the eleventh annual fair and exhibition of the Institute some time in the early part of September next. We are informed that a large and commodious building has been secured for that purpose, affording ample accommodations for all who wish to bring before the public the products of their ingenuity and skill. We hope the manufacturer, the artist, the artisan and mechanic, will fully respond to the efforts of the directors, and make the exhibition superior to any previously held in this city.

PROMOTED.—We are pleased to learn of the promotion of Captain Kowald, formerly of the Turner Union Cadets, to the position of Major of Colonel Waters' Germania Regiment of Cuhp Butler. Major Kowald was for many years a citizen of Chicago. At the breaking out of the war he was elected captain of the Union Cadets, one of the first companies to leave the city, and proceeded with them to Cairo, doing good service there under Gen. Prentiss. He is a soldier by profession, having served as lieutenant in Sierwig Holstein in 1848-'49, and under the Duke of Coburg at the hard-fought battle of Kenderfourdo, on the 9th of April, 1849, and in his new position we have no doubt will do honor to the country of his adoption, and gain fresh laurels for himself. The regiment to which he is attached needing a few good men, Major Kowald has opened a recruiting office at No. 143 Randolph street, and those wishing to fight under experienced officers would do well to enlist with him.

THAT PRESBYTERIAN EXCURSION.—The picnic to come off on Saturday next is to be one of more than ordinary interest, combining as it does two worthy and interesting objects, viz: the meeting of the First, Third, Olivet, Westminster, Calvary and Edwards churches with the Second Presbyterian, on the occasion of their twentieth anniversary, and by whose invitation the above churches are cordially invited to be present and participate with them. This of itself should be sufficient to induce a full attendance. It is a rare sight to see a pastor and congregation that have lived and labored so harmoniously for the twenty years. Now, let the parent church and all the offspring unite in a general inauksgiving. Let them come together and make the woods resound with their rejoicing. The other object is to help with our mites the little sister church at Lake Forest to complete their house of worship. It combines pleasure with benevolence. So take your basket, with the sandwiches and cake, and John Wright will do the (w)right thing with strawberries and ice cream. So bay your ticket (only fifty cents) and take your friends and go, if possible, but buy a ticket at any rate. The proceeds will go to help finish the church at Lake Forest. See advertisement.

Death of Bolton F. Strother.

MEETING OF THE BAR.

The members of the bar convened at the rooms of the Law Institute yesterday afternoon, to take action upon the death of their deceased brother B. F. Strother.

Hon. George Manniere was called to the Chair, and Cyrus Bentley, Esq., appointed Secretary.

Hon. Van H. Higgins addressed the meeting. He had been associated with the deceased through many years in the intimate relation of professional partnership. In all their intercourse together they had never had an unpleasant word.

Mr. Strother was a man of many noble qualities of head and heart; pure in motive, of strict integrity, faithful in the performance of his professional duties, in social intercourse genial, frank and generous to a fault.

Mr. Strother was a native of London county, in the State of Virginia, whence he came early in life with his parents to reside in Galena. He, however, resorted to one of the Universities of his native State for the acquirement of his education, and subsequently returned to Galena, and entered the office of Messrs. Hempstead & Washburne, (the latter of whom is now Member of Congress from the Galena district,) where he commenced the study of law. In about the year 1846 he entered the office of Mr. Higgins, where he continued his studies for a few months, until Mr. Higgins, having gained such favorable impressions from the industrious and studious habits of the deceased, tendered him a partnership, which was accepted. They continued together in the practice of their profession in Galena until about the year 1853, when they moved to Chicago, where they remained together as partners until about the year 1856, at which time Mr. Strother, coming into the possession of what seemed at the time a large estate, which required so much of his time and attention as to render it incompatible for him to pursue his professional calling, he retired from the practice.

Mr. Strother was soon after appointed Collector of Customs for the port of Chicago, which always seemed to Mr. Higgins to have been an unfortunate appointment for the deceased. Since that time their pursuits had been diverse one from the other, and their acquaintance had not been so intimate as before.

Judge Higgins stated that the funeral of the deceased would occur to-day, and expressed the hope that there would be a general attendance on the part of the members of the Bar.

Addresses were also made by H. P. Wade, Esq., Samuel Ashton, Esq., and J. B. Thomas, Esq.

On motion of Judge Higgins, committees to prepare resolutions expressive of the sense of the Bar, at the death of Mr. Strother, and to make arrangements for attendance upon the funeral, were adopted.

The Chairman announced the following as the committees:

On Resolutions—Hon. Van H. Higgins, Samuel Ashton, Esq., John O. Rogers, Esq., W. K. McAllister, Esq., and H. M. Shone, Esq.

On arrangements—Hon. Edward Manning Ashton, Esq., J. B. Thomas, Esq., and F. W. Tourtellotte, Esq.

The meeting then adjourned until 9 o'clock this morning at the same place, at which time the committee on resolutions will report.

Imprisonment for Debt—Important Decision.

The following is the decision of Judge Masterre, delivered in the Circuit Court yesterday morning, upon the motion to discharge the ball in the case of Hildebrand vs. Lill:

In Circuit Court, of June Term, 1862. Philomon Hildebrand vs. William Lill. Motion to discharge bail.

OPINION OF JUDGE MASTERS.

The defendant was arrested and held to bail upon an affidavit "that the plaintiff alleging a breach of promise of marriage on his part, and that the damages were laid by him at the sum of $20,000, and a motion is now made to discharge the bail given in pursuance of that order.

The ground in the affidavit, upon which the right of the plaintiff to capias is asserted, is the alleged fraud of the defendant in the contract of marriage set forth in the affidavit, and the defendant rests the motion for a discharge of bail, in the first instance, upon his denial by affidavit of the truth of the allegation of fraud. The plaintiff here interposes a preliminary objection that it appears that the defendant's affidavit should be stricken from the files, on the ground that no explanatory or contradictory affidavit is to be handed in a motion to discharge bail. First, therefore, as to this objection.

At common law, where there was a certain debt to the amount of twenty pounds, or damages to that amount, where a right to a sum of money, as in assumpsit or covenant for the payment of money, the defendant might be arrested, *or a matter of course*, on an affidavit shortly stating the cause of action. On the other hand, however, where the damages were uncertain, and therefore unascertained, there could be no arrest without a special order of the court or a judge upon a full affidavit of the circumstances. For it would be unreasonable that the defendant should be arrested for a large amount of damages claimed, and be detained in custody until the trial, when it was ascertained that the damages were laid at a sum much beyond the reach of the plaintiff's claim. This rule of practice has been in force in this State from the beginning, and is essential to the protection of fraud in the contract itself. If guilty of this kind of fraud, then his imprisonment might be continued under the statute law, until the trial of the cause, or until the arrest was on mesne process, or until satisfied in the event of his failure to recover damages. The policy of those States opened the door to the honest debtor who surrendered his property to his creditors without a sufficient fund to meet their claims or not, but as a punishment left the honest debtor to the mercy of the plaintiff, to be dealt with by them according to the course of the common law.

That the clause of our constitution above cited was taken in substance from those of North Carolina and Kentucky, is not only manifest from the language of the provision, but from the fact that the whole article in our constitution devoted to fundamental principles, in which this clause is found, was taken with a few modifications almost *verbatim et literatim* from the constitution of Kentucky. The provision for this in part to be found in the fact that many, if not all of the controlling men in the convention which framed the first constitution of this State, were either from Kentucky or North Carolina and Tennessee, as indeed were the leading men in the history of the early settlers of the State. That clause of those constitutions was however, adopted with one radical modification in this State, that is, that instead of a perpetual imprisonment, the debtor was allowed, and provision made for his discharge upon the surrender of his estate for the benefit of his creditors, in the same manner as prescribed by law.

The second ground assigned by the defendant in support of his motion is this, viz: That the affidavit does not show a sufficient cause for holding to bail. This ground, for clearness of discussion, may be resolved into two distinct views or positions. First, that conceding all the facts alleged in the plaintiff's affidavit to be true, yet they do not fulfill the requirements of fraud in other words, do not constitute fraud in a legal sense, however great an offense in morals may be implied therefrom, and for this the bail is entitled to be discharged; and second, that the facts do not even seem, the right to a capias against the body of a debtor was a matter of right conmense as well in the first instance where the debtor was guilty of fraud or not. It was a process resorted to at the mere election of the plaintiff and without regard to the question offraud in the inception of the debt or in the disposition of his property to avoid or defeat his collection. A simple glance at the provisions cited from the constitutions of North Carolina and Kentucky, will prove that it was not the intention of the framers of either of those instruments to revoke, annul or abrogate the common law remedy by capias, but merely to declare that the person of the debtor should not be *continued* in prison after delivering his estate in good faith for the benefit of his creditors, unless in cases where there was strong presumption of fraud. What is meant by the words "strong presumption of fraud" can only have been in the contemplation of the framers of the constitution, as the party was only entitled to a discharge in a summary way *upon his surrendering* his property, and any fraud in this respect would defeat his application to be discharged, or a matter of fraud in the contract itself. If guilty of this kind of fraud, then his imprisonment might be continued under the statute law, until the trial of the cause, or until the arrest was on mesne process, or until satisfied in the event of his failure to recover damages. The policy of those States opened the door to the honest debtor who surrendered his property to his creditors without a sufficient fund to meet their claims or not, but as a punishment left the honest debtor to the mercy of the plaintiff, to be dealt with by them according to the course of the common law.

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BRIEFS OF RELIGIOUS SECESSION AT THE CAPITAL.

The Government takes the sound and course—though somewhat tardy, view that the sanctuaries at Washington where distant rectors and dainty pastors have been accustomed to hold up their white hands in supplication for Jeff. Davis, and preach deep damnation to federal rule, may be better employed as the havens of the sick and wounded soldiers of the Union. So four hospitals, spacious and airy, have been added to the list, and there are four less dens of disloyalty. Doubtless it is greatly to the disgust of the rectors and the silly women of their flocks, but they have only themselves to blame. "The way of transgressors" of the rebel stamp is getting particularly thorny.

THE TAX COLLECTION BILL.

The bill for the collection of taxes in the insurrectionary districts has become a law. It will of itself work important social revolutions in Southern communities, if its provisions, given briefly in abstract in our dispatches elsewhere, are faithfully carried out, as we hope they may be, by the commissioners. But these must be unlike our pro-slavery generals. If their purpose be to save slavery, the commissioners will doubtless let the taxes go by default, even as those other allow the war against traitors to move slowly and with half its efficiency. The collection of taxes under this act implies of necessity that the rebels must pay the sums assessed, or that in default the same be collected from the estates by processes enumerated in the body of the bill, and if the traitors of this bill be passed in the emancipation of the slaves of rebels, who does not see that there will be a sufficiency of "forces and families residing on the land," who will on wages or shares meet the requirements stipulated. The poor whites of the South will have an opening offered them for their elevation, and the blacks will be eager to come in on these shares. It is surely possible that the rebel masters will pay these taxes, and all the changes indicated in this bill will follow in due course. But let us have its fellow forthwith, in the confiscation of every slave of a rebel master.

THE WAR IN VIRGINIA.

It is ordinarily a part of a curative process to drive the disease as far as possible from the vitals; but in this war for the Union "the plan" has been anything but that. Thus while all other parts of the field are giving satisfactory returns, Virginia and the vicinity of the capital are still made the centre of doubt and anxiety, and give as yet very little to satisfy the historian of the war that all has been done that military vigor and skill could do in this very heart of the great contest. Driven from the extremities, gathering their sea-coast, the campaign in Virginia, taken all in all, has been an ample invitation to the Confederate leaders to recuperate their forces there, take all the time and consume all the means necessary for preparation they may desire, exercising meanwhile only a generous rivalry in *fortifying*.

The recent battle in the Shenandoah valley, an engagement severe and unfinished at last accounts, is sufficient proof that Gen. Fremont has enough on his hands. The small map we give accompanying the dispatches, shows the relation of Harrisonburg to the other points on Fremont's route down the valley. Eastward, by a forty miles' march from Gordonsville, and thence by sixty miles of railroad to Richmond it is made sufficiently accessible for Jackson's column to have been largely reinforced by fresh troops, and this doubtless has been done. Fremont's defeat would reopen the valley of the Shenandoah, and possibly offer what the rebel leaders crave, the route into Pennsylvania. It is useless to deny that for its moral effect abroad the Confederates covet a foray into a free State. And the Virginia policy if it has not invited this, has very liberally helped its promise.

THE RESTORATION.

After the conquest of the rebellious district must come the more tardy work of restoration of order and prosperity under the Union, to the communities where treason has had full sway. The occupation of New Orleans, Memphis, and other leading commercial centres of the South by Federal troops marks the war era closed as regards those cities and the more difficult and delicate process of rehabilitation begun. At the first aspect the prospect is little encouraging. Trade has dried up in its channels for lack of material, and of currency. The first duty of the Federal generals becomes the humane one of feeding the poor, while the rich scowl from behind their closed shutters, and as openly as they dare, attest their hatred of the "Northern invaders."

But there is a channel through which the heart of the rebellion will be peacefully reached and its last resources drained—*Commerce*. The danger to the rebel cause of a re-awakened trade has all along stood confessed in the eager zeal with which the rebel leaders have urged the people of the South to burn up their staples, and cease from their production. The conspirators were well aware that there would be a temptation in the possession of high piled cotton bales and sugar hogsheads which the Southern planter would not resist when exposed to the old time lure of gold or Federal notes. It has been the prominent policy of the rebel leaders to deliver the South from the peril involved in the condition of the border of staples demanded in the markets of the world, especially when that border proved to be desperately cut of the wonted comforts of existence.

But still more plainly is the danger to the rebel cause stated in the "*Circular to the Cotton Planters*," which has been widely published by the Southern press. It makes this remarkable admission: "IF COMMERCE BE ONCE REVIVED WE ARE RUINED FOREVER." Revived it will be, and it has already begun. Our dispatches of last evening state that already the promise of shipments from Memphis Northward is large, and in excess of present facilities of transport. A few weeks and the trade of the Mississippi will have been largely revived, and under Federal protection for such time as may be necessary, be it months or years, commerce will again fill the Mississippi Valley with its rich wealth. The jackal crew of rebel adventurers will diminish rapidly when once the South they have ruled with a rod of iron comes to be released from their enthralment, a despotism the most cruel and opprobrious the world has ever known. Commerce restored will bring unity in its train.

MEXICO AND THE REBELLION.

It is well known that the military organization which the secession leaders created for establishing their confederacy and resisting the power of the North was that called the "Order of the Knights of the Golden Circle," and the name given out for the creation of such institution, filled with political schooners and military aspirants, was to invade and conquer the northern provinces of Mexico, or if possible the whole of that devoted country. To protect such an unparalleled scheme of crime and piracy on a weak and friendly State, the pretence was set up that such an intervention in Mexican affairs was absolutely necessary to restore that torn and distracted country to a state of peace and prosperity; and also that the institution of slavery, on whose permanent and growing existence, so much of the true welfare of mankind depended, should not be exposed to the encroaching influence, and dangerous nearness of a State that cherished free institutions, so near its southern borders. In the avowed schemes, and well known proceedings and expectations of the Knights of the Golden Circle, we find all the ruling motives and purposes of the rebel leaders. Underlying the whole, the primitive work which was to hold up all the glorious fruits and foliage of this new creation, was slavery; while martial glory, the high deeds of knightly valor, the dazzling rewards of military rank, and the broad and rich provinces that were to be brought beneath the rule of the gallant captains, and illustrious soldiers, who had done signal feats of arms in this magnificent raid amid the deep valleys and glittering mines of Mexico, now relied upon to captivate the imagination, and fasten to the scheme all that was ambitious, ardent, and adventurous in the spirit of Southern men.

There is an element of speculation, and of gambling; of running great risks to reach great fortunes; of intense excitement in wild adventure and deadly danger; of staking all upon one throw, and standing the hazard of the die, that has a resistless and magic power over some men. There is a fascination in great crime, and an overmastering temptation in high and splendid villainy, to those born and raised in the midst of slavery. To the proud spirits bred up in lordly arrogance beneath the shadow of aristocratic society, nothing can be tamer than the Christain life of going about doing good; and scarcely any thing more repugnant, than stooping to bear the burdens of the lowly, or to share the toils and cares of the poor. The men from whom Rebellion fills its ranks are not so gospelled. Self-denial, self-sacrifice, and suffering for others, are the religious graces and divine privilege of the menial and the slave; but for this chosen breed of noble bloods heaven holds out the richer prizes of high place and large power; it endows them with loftier gifts of ambition, rank, and breeding; it promises them to wield the sword and the sceptre, and to crown them with homage and fame. Waste and barren of all inducements to exertion or enterprise, must the level fields of a popular government appear to such spirits. There is to this bad and reckless ambition, no hope to be found of superior place and lasting power, in the dismal plane of universal equality; and how void of all chance to the born aristocrat to have his own lordly will and way, must that dreary land seem in which justice and humanity guard the rights and redress the wrongs of the humblest. Such men, who claim to be by birth better than their fellows; who demand for their blood more indulgence and luxury, who believe that by nature they are born to rule, and others to submit; and who will never for a moment give up their inborn and divine right and privilege, to bow the heads, and plant their feet on the necks of other men, must, from their very disposition and make, either fling down and destroy all popular institutions, or perish in the effort; or else, finding the work to be hopeless here, go forth to other lands to work out the genuine fruits, the mischiefs and wrongs that are essential to their existence.

These noble rebels and ambitious traitors cannot destroy our free institutions. They must themselves begin to see and bitterly realize that hope to be baseless. Many of them will doubtless perish; but a large number will probably escape, and it is altogether probable that an attempt will be made by many of them, to overrun, subdue, and acquire a part or a whole of Mexico for the establishing of their followers and the carrying out of their ambitious schemes. To men so daring and adventurous as to deem it possible to overthrow the immense power of the Union, and who seemed to be entirely confident of success in a conflict with the vastly superior strength of the free States, the invasion and subjection of Mexico would seem but a holiday task; and they would sweep down upon her as to a gay and glorious frolic. They cannot discover in the character of the Mexican people any reason to doubt that slavery would prosper among them; and the country is so near, access to it so easy, and the prospect of success so encouraging, that it would be strange if she did not become the victim of these atrocious and detested traitors, so soon as they are driven from our midst. The rebellion will then be carrying out truly the projects and purposes which were originally set up by the Knights of the Golden Circle.

DEFEAT OF THE FRENCH IN MEXICO.

The report, received several days ago, of a severe battle between the French and Mexicans before Puebla, resulting in the defeat and rout of the French army, is fully confirmed by several sources, and most recently by the news via Havana, given elsewhere in our dispatches this morning. The battle was fought on the 5th of May, and from lack of movements since that time, it is reasonable to conclude that the French were so badly whipped that they had no stomach to renew the fight. The Mexican general, Beriozabel, says in his report:

"All the commanders and officers in the brigade under my command conducted themselves in the most brilliant manner. For this reason I do not make special eulogies, because I regard it—all have heretofore done their duty. It is only thus that one can explain the rout of an enemy accustomed to conquer everywhere, (as flattered by the decorations which the soldiers bear on their breasts), and its flight before our troops in the midst of the combat.

"We have taken some prisoners, who have been sent to the fortress, and have collected more than one hundred dead belonging to the enemy."

Gen. Beriozabel's report closes in this strain of congratulation:

"The corps which compose the brigade which bears my name have comprehended, in doing their duty, that on their conduct in the first encounter with the foreign enemy depended the safety of their country or the loss of its independence. The proud French soldier has been humiliated; on the anniversary of the death of Napoleon the First, and for the first time, as say the prisoners, he has been obliged to fly before his enemies, carrying his flag despoiled of the glory which it had conquered in a thousand battles.

"In communicating what has occurred in the brilliant passage of arms of this day, I congratulate you on the brilliant sacrifice we have offered, for it will do no other to Mexico whatever may be the ulterior events."

Gen. Birney.

We know nothing of Gen. Birney. But for the sake of the reputation of a Federal officer which should be dear to all, we are glad to learn that the charges of cowardice against him at the battle of Fair Oaks will likely prove unfounded. The facts appear to be that after obeying orders of Gen. Heintzelman, to advance up the Richmond and York River railroad, and form in line of battle, he received an order from Gen. Kearney, the chief of his division, to fall back immediately to his original position, as his remaining at such an advanced point rendered him liable to be cut off. Obeying the order, the next morning he received a note from Gen. Heintzelman, refelling him of his command "for disobedience of orders." The general yielded his command to the senior colonel of the brigade, and retired to his tent. On the following morning (Monday) Gen. Kearney addressed a letter to Gen. Heintzelman, in which he makes use of the following complimentary language: "I am positive that Gen. Birney has never disobeyed orders intentionally, nor by any want of either courage or intelligence. I look upon him as a superior officer. I am positive that, if you would accord him a hearing, or enable him to answer any categorical demands, it would be perfectly satisfactory to you. In a wooded country, orders apparently conflict. The fact of his saving Couch's division seems a proof of his effecting what was intended."

The Future.

"One Jeff. Davis" lately issued a belligerent programme, in which he states that this war shall last for twenty years. Our government seems inclined to join issue on this programme, and has commenced preparing for the protracted campaign. General Order No. 89, just issued by the War Department, directs that a camp of instruction for fifty thousand men—cavalry, artillery, and infantry, in due proportion—is to be immediately formed near Annapolis, Md., under command of Major General Wool. We presume this fifty thousand to be the new enlistment of that number for three years volunteers authorized by the War Department a month ago—an altogether different affair from the three months State militia lately summoned to the Capital. They will form a reserve *corps d'armée*, whence reinforcements will be drawn to fill up voids made by battle or disease, and thus the regiments in the field be kept full.

A Horrible Affair.

The Buffalonians have a new sensation. The papers of that city come to us loaded with the sickening details of a most horrible and revolting revelation of crime made in that city on Saturday last. They are an intensified reproduction of the celebrated "Mad. Beaufort" case in this city. The house of a foul abortionist, known as the "Indian Doctress," Madame Loashtal Manton Flash, was broken into by police officers, and the discoveries in that den of crime and infamy are too horrible to give in full. Three women were discovered in various stages of mortal sickness, and one of them died whilst the officers were present. The removal of a dead body of a fourth victim on the previous day had first created the suspicions that led to the descent on the house. Abundant proof was found that many victims had been sacrificed by the murderess.

The "Doctress" has been arrested and lodged in jail, as has also her negro servant ....., and Mr. Wm. Barr, the alleged seducer of the girl who died in the presence of the officers.

Confederate Debt.

We see it stated in the southern papers that the Confederate debt exceeded $410,000,000 at the beginning of May. This is rather more than the Federal debt, but it should be recollected that nearly all the materials of war, ammunition, provisions, etc., with the exception of what was taken by them from the United States government, has cost the Confederates full double the ordinary prices. To be added to this is also the obligations they have given to individuals for the destruction of their cotton, loss of negroes, etc., which are not included in their estimates. The Confederates at this moment cannot owe less than $500,000,000. We presume this debt does not trouble Jeff. and his confederates. Who expects it will ever be paid?

A Protest.

The Nashville *Union* protests against the term *Southern Chivalry*, to designate the rebels who are laying waste the southern states. The *Union* insists that they be called *Rebel, Chivalry*, denies that they are representatives of southern character, and affirms "that they hold the same relation to the sterling people of the South that a mad dog in a street in Chicago holds to the decent and law-abiding denizens of a city. Let not the southern people, we ask, be confounded with the lawless and turbulent mob whom God in his inscrutable wisdom has suffered to trample for a season on the necks of civil, worthy and honorable men."

The Rebel Force at Richmond.

The story going the rounds of the press that the Rev. Dr. Stiles, of Richmond, Va., had written to some friends in New Haven since the evacuation of the city, that the force around Richmond amounted to 200,000 effective men, is authentatively contradicted in the New York *Times*. But one letter has been received from Dr. Stiles, by his *friends* in New Haven, since the stoppage of the mails, now nearly one year, and in that one which was received some months since, there was not one word in reference to the war.

Maryland Credit.

On Saturday last, at Annapolis, the bids for the Maryland defense loan were opened. The amount wanted was $250,000—the amount actually bid was $2,500,000! No bid was made under par, and thus ran up as high as 2½ per cent premium! and to obtain the amount asked, it was not necessary to accept any bid under two per cent premium. These facts speak well for the financial credit of the State, which her assured loyalty to the Union has given her.

A Scandinavian College.

A project is on foot to establish a Scandinavian College in the Northwest. It is stated that the King of Sweden takes a lively interest in the matter, and will contribute liberally in aid of the object. The location of the college has not been determined, but the matter is in the hands of judicious men who will act with a due regard to the interests of the new institution.

The Rebel Loss at Fair Oaks.

Reliable information from the battle-field of Fair Oaks, Va., puts the rebel dead buried on that field at 3,000. The Richmond *Dispatch* of the 6th estimates the rebel wounded at 4,000. There are some 1,500 prisoners in our hands. This would place the total rebel loss at about 8,500. The Federal loss on the same field was 5,620.

A Question.

The Secession *Times* says that no Democrat in "good standing" will vote against the Egyptian constitution. The 33d regiment of Illinois volunteer infantry voted 568 *against* and 5 *for* the thing; the 5th cavalry 739 *against*, 12 *for* it; the 13th infantry 650 *against*, 9 *for* it. Are there only 26 Democrats in "good standing" in those three regiments?

Beauregard.

The star of Beauregard is very evidently on the wane. Large numbers of the Southern papers speak of him with positive contempt, while others are making but feeble efforts to defend him. The Memphians believe that he has been entirely overrated. His prestige and influence have probably passed away.

☞ Gen. Beauregard stands before the world a convicted braggart, if not a poltroon. He claimed a great "victory" at Shiloh, and promised his men to wipe out "the Northern hireling horde," and expel them from the valley of the Mississippi, within a brief period. His ability and courage to do the work he promised is manifest in his fleeing like a Floyd from Corinth at the close approximation of our forces. He called upon his friends to assist him in "driving the invaders from our homes," and then is chased like a dog by the enemy he proposed to annihilate. Alas, poor Beauregard, what a fate is thine!

☞ Gasparion, whose "Uprising of a Great People" has been extensively read and admired in this country, has just written another work on American affairs. It is entitled "America in the Presence of Europe: Principles and Interests." He points out the mistakes which Europe has made in regard to us, exposes the selfishness of England in the course she has pursued, explodes some of the errors current in Europe respecting our contest, and shows the deep interest Europe really has in our welfare.

☞ On the proposition of Mr. Colfax, in the House of Representatives, to allow a man in peril of his freedom to have a jury trial, and compelling the officer man who claimed his flesh, blood, bones, sinews, brains and children, born or to be born, as property, to prove that he (the claimant) was a loyal citizen, every Republican voted Yes, and every Democrat (with a single exception) voted Nay. The fact is worth remembering.

☞ Where is the Monitor? We have not heard a word of the little cheese-box since the repulse in James River until yesterday, when a vague paragraph in a Philadelphia paper stated that the fleet of which the Monitor is a part was ready to assist in taking Richmond as soon as General McClellan should say the word.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

Confiscation again—The Rebel Representation and Confiscation Acts—What has been done under them—Prospects of the House bill in the Senate—What is to be done by the District Provost Judges—Rebels confined in the latter institution—How to conciliate a first-class Traitor.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

WASHINGTON, June 10, 1862.

The tax bill out of the way for the time being, the House confiscation bill must next command the attention of the Senate, and this time be decided one way or the other. The rebel Congress have enacted two confiscation laws during the brief period in which they have played at the science of government, and which more to the purpose, they have executed them. I managed to obtain copies of these acts at Norfolk two or three weeks ago, and I presume a brief synopsis of their contents will not be uninteresting to the readers of the TRIBUNE at this juncture.

The first one (approved August 30, 1861,) declares "that all and every, the *lands*, tenements and hereditaments, goods and chattels, rights and credits, within these Confederate States, and every right and interest therein held, owned, possessed or enjoyed, by or for any alien enemy since the 31st day of May, 1861, be, and the same are hereby sequestrated by the Confederate States of America, and shall be held for the full indemnity of any true and loyal citizen or resident of the Confederate States, or other person aiding said Confederate States, (i. e., Northern traitors,) in the prosecution of the present war between the Confederate States and the United States of America, and for which he may suffer any loss or injury under the act of the United States to which this act is retaliatory, or under any other act of the United States, or of any State thereof, authorizing the seizure, condemnation or confiscation of the property of citizens or residents of the Confederate States, or other persons aiding said Confederate States, and the same shall be seized and disposed of as provided in this act." The pretense of retaliation here made is based upon the act of the extra session of Congress, confiscating property used for insurrectionary purposes, namely: forts, ships, firearms, munitions of war, and negro slaves employed in the service of the enemy. This was deemed sufficient cause for the confiscation of every conceivable thing owned by a citizen of the loyal States in the South, including real estate.

The citizens of Delaware, Maryland, Kentucky, Missouri, the District of Columbia, New Mexico, Arizona, and the Indian Territory south of Kansas, are excepted from the provisions of the act. The third section makes it the duty of every attorney, agent, former partner, trustee or other person holding or controlling the property of such alien enemy to give full information thereof to the public receiver, under penalty of a fine of 5,000, and imprisonment six months, and shall be further liable to be used by said Confederate States and subjected to pay double the value of the estate, property, or effects of the alien enemy held by him or in trust to his control." The remainder of the act prescribes the method of ascertaining, condemning and selling the property of loyal citizens and vesting their titles respectively in the rebel purchasers.

The second act seems to have been adopted a short time before the rebel congress adjourned. It is published in the Richmond *Enquirer* of March 31, 1862. It amends the previous one sweeping in the proceeds of the sales of confiscated plunder into the Confederate treasury, instead of paying it to their own despoiled citizens. It drops, for the most part, the word sequestration, and adopts confiscation instead. It provides additional penalties for the failure of agents or debtors of northern citizens to divulge and pay over the funds held by them, and for the better working of the machinery of selling, and depositing the funds realized from sales.

That the most frequent and merciless provisions of these acts have been fully enforced everybody knows. The rebel journals have boasted that $500,000,000 had been or would be assigned for them. The declaration of indignation that the measures were retaliatory; that they were provoked and justified by anything done by the United States government, and that we can place them on a footing of equality with the United States as a nation,) is a lie. They have exercised the power of confiscation in the most summary and inspiring manner. Yet, when it is proposed to exercise the same power in behalf of loyal citizens against professed traitors, there are a class of persons in Congress who argue against the expediency of employing it. More than half of Mr. Cowan's speech on Judge Trumbull's bill was of this character—a sober, serious argument against the expediency of doing in behalf of the loyal portion of the country the very thing that has been done by the rebels against it. He said it would be the occasion of feuds, and hates, and heart-burnings, and bad blood, and lacerated feelings—as though the only feelings fit to be incurred were those of the rebel men on the one hand and loyal black men on the other.

But there is a better prospect of the passage of an efficient confiscation bill now than there ever has been before. The moral effect of the vote in the House has been very strong on the doubtful, and I should not be surprised to find so obstinate an opponent of the measure as Judge Collamer finally voting for it. The vote in the House against the bill *to prevent the bill to pass*, and the Senators are very few who will not do what their constituents are determined to have done, if they can find out *what is to*.

It was my fortune to visit Washington jail at an early period of its occupancy, and to relate some extraordinary facts concerning the same. I may now add, in passing the seeking reader to that institution, that the jail has successfully withstood all the assaults made upon it, and bids fair to outlast all the attacks of time. The penitentiary of the District of Columbia has beauties as well as the jail. There are ninety-six United States soldiers (volunteers) confined in that institution for "desertion," who have been from six months to five years, on the finding of *courts martial*—the most of them sentenced thither for the most trifling offenses, without any thing in the nature of a jury trial, without any defense, and without the right of appeal. One is marked down for three years for having "*stealing a newspaper*." Another ruffian is doing penance for a long term, in company with murderers, burglars and forgers, for "speaking disrespectfully to a sergeant!" Another is sent to cent a term for "desertion," in company with the worst class of felons, for having overstayed by one day a certain occasion, when he had obtained leave of absence to go to Baltimore to see a young lady to whom he was engaged to be married; and before coming to the penitentiary, he had been the last of a chain four months as a part of the sentence, in many instances these convicts, (so-called) were sent to the penitentiary without any commitment in writing—the finding of the court-martial sent after them a week or two subsequently, according to the leisure or caprice of the judicial officer having charge of it. It must be said in justice to the warden of the penitentiary that he is very willing to get rid of these inmates, and in this he is seconded by the Secretary of the Interior, who holds that the military courts have no right to send persons to the penitentiary at all. Attorney General Bates thinks differently and has decided that they must stay there and serve their terms out, right or wrong—whether the sentence was just or unjust. The disagreement will have to be settled by Congress, and it ought to be settled without delay. In many cases probably the punishment is merited, but in others there is such manifest and outrageous injustice that Congress would be grossly derelict if it should fail to exercise the clemency of the pardoning power and separate the innocent from the guilty and conserve the harsh treatment inflicted upon brave and loyal men for the most trivial offenses.

A skilful and hardly credible report has been in circulation for a week or more to the effect that Gen. McClellan has stationed a guard around the White House, on the Potomac, by the proprietors of the Richmond Lee, not permitting the premises to be entered by anybody, although the building is needed for a hospital for the sick and wounded soldiers. I was assured recently by a Western member of Congress, who has just returned from the place, *that such is the fact*. Where a representation of the circumstance was made to Gen. McClellan, he replied that the sureon in charge had not applied for the use of the building, that it would accommodate only a small number anyhow, and that the soldiers under treatment there would get along just as well in tents. Whether this is a sufficient answer the reader can judge for himself. The superiority of houses, even Virginia houses, over tents, for the use of typhoid patients, or those undergoing amputation, is federally well established. If the surgeon in charge is more solicitous to preserve the property of a parricide from contamination than to provide for the comfort of his invalid soldiers, it is very easy to obviate it by as he has not made a requisition for the residence of the aristocratic Col. Lee.

Gen. Prentiss and the Prisoners of Shiloh.

Vindication of the Officers and Soldiers of Gen. Prentiss's Division at that Battle—Important Facts not heretofore Published—The Impeachment of Judge Humphreys.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

WASHINGTON, June 11, 1862.

The arrival of Major Stone of the 3d Iowa, Col. Miller of the 18th Missouri, and Capt. Gregg (of Rock Island) of the 58th Illinois, prisoners of the field of Shiloh, from Selma, Alabama, has placed me in possession of many interesting facts in relation to that part of the battle most involved in obscurity, namely, the engagement in the centre held by Gen. Prentiss and Gen. W. H. L. Wallace, whose troops were nearly all killed, wounded, or made prisoners by reason of the obstinacy with which they maintained their ground after the supporting columns on the right and left had fallen back. The officers above named have been sent to Washington to arrange for a general exchange of prisoners, conditional upon the release of Gen. Buckner for Gen. Prentiss, or his exchangeable value in other officers. From these gentlemen, and more particularly from Major Stone, I have obtained the following narration, which they are willing to maintain on any occasion and before any tribunal.

They affirm that Gen. Prentiss, so far from being surprised for want of adequate pickets, was the only General who had any pickets out at all, and that these were stationed a mile and a quarter beyond the lines on the road to Corinth, consisting of five companies under Col. Moore of the 21st Missouri. From Pittsburg Landing to Corinth are two roads, one called the Purdy road, and the other the Spring Creek road. Gen. W. T. Sherman held the advance on the former with his division, and Gen. Prentiss was similarly posted on the other. The army had been there three weeks, but not a spade had been lifted, not an intrenchment dug, not a motion of any kind made to meet the enemy in case of an attack. Gen. Grant's headquarters were at Savannah, eight miles below, and Gen. Lew. Wallace was stationed at Crump's Landing with 10,000 men, five or six miles below Pittsburg Landing. Col. Morgan, the rebel partisan scout, had brought information to Gen. Albert Sidney Johnston at Corinth, that General Buell could not possibly reach Pittsburg Landing and effect a junction with Grant before Tuesday, the 8th of April. The rebel army, 75,000 strong according to the admissions of their own officers, was put in motion on Wednesday the 2d, and Gen. Johnston expected to make his attack on Saturday, overwhelm Grant, and defeat Gen. Buell on Tuesday, or prevent his crossing the river and turn him back upon Nashville. The distance from Corinth to our advance divisions was twenty miles. In consequence of heavy rains Johnston had to "corduroy" all the low ground to get his artillery over, and his progress was very slow. On the first day he marched ten miles to Monterey, on the second he moved only three miles, on the third six miles, on the fourth (Saturday,) it rained, and he did not move his main force at all, but General Hardee's corps was advanced on the Purdy road *to within 300 yards of Sherman's camps*, and in this position they bivouacked Saturday night. The rebel officers told Major Stone that they could distinctly hear conversation in Gen. Sherman's camp that night. They occupied a dense thicket in a ravine, and after the battle of the first day our officers were shown the spot where they had slept and eaten their breakfast. It had every appearance of having been used for that purpose, and, astounding as it may appear, they do not deem it certain that Hardee's corps passed the night within musket range of Gen. Sherman's tent, while the latter never dreamed of the danger, and was within only two miles of him. But this is not more amazing than the fact admitted by all that 75,000 men were moved against us at an average rate of only three miles per day, without

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THE PACIFIC RAILROAD.

Our Washington correspondent gives some items that show the corruptions and the dangers that surround this great national measure. If it cannot be rescued from the grasp of the Pawnee swindlers, to whom he refers, better defeat it at once. Is there not virtue enough in Congress, and energy enough in the great railway lines between Chicago and the seaboard, to secure the passage of a law that shall secure the building of the road within a reasonable time, and its location where it will best promote the commercial interests and the social welfare of the whole country. Let the people demand that Congress shake off these Pawnee harpies, locate the road where it should be, and place its interests in the hands of honest men, who will be able to command the confidence of the world, and thus so complete this magnificent enterprise.

SHIP CANALS TO THE LAKES.

We copy this morning the amended bill reported back to the House of Representatives by Hon. F. P. Blair, Jr., providing for the enlargement of the Illinois and Michigan Canal. It should not only be carefully read, but petitions by hundreds should at once be forwarded urging its immediate passage. We also have in type the memorial of Hon. S. B. Ruggles of New York to the President urging the enlargement of the Erie Canal so as to pass vessels of war. It is a most valuable document and will appear as soon as we can make room for it.

THE CONSTITUTION ADOPTED.

There can be no doubt at present writing that the new constitution has been adopted by the voters of Illinois by a clear majority. This result of yesterday's election we regret as seriously as we have opposed it earnestly. When the figures in our own city and vicinity tell so strongly against the issue for which we have labored, there can be no question how the grand total of the State at large will foot up. The work of the Convention at Springfield is complete, and the infamies that until such adoption belonged only to a clique of politicians, have passed from personal to public possession. We regret it the more, in that it is principles and not men that the people have thus passed upon. At ordinary elections results depend much upon the personal characteristics and popularity of the candidates. In this there were no such modifying influences. It was simply a decision at the ballot-box on public policy. As such it should have received all the more careful attention of our people, but as such, and for this very reason lacking the spur of personal appeal and consideration, it did not.

The result of yesterday is saddening, as a proof that our people have learned so little from the great rebellion, so little of what pertains to the freeman's right at the ballot box, so little enlightenment on the great questions of the age. It should always stand on record that the apathy of good men and good citizens has thrown the reins of control in our State into the clutch of those whose handiwork is shown in the new constitution. How many of the readers of the TRIBUNE in city and country will couple with their regret at the disgrace of our State, a sense of personal share in such result, in allowing trifling pursuits, or unconcern to debaud them of their vote? Ought we not to have learned from the costly tuition of this war that the voter's franchise is a sacred trust?

We regret this, and the sober sense of a majority of our people will regret it, but all too late. It belies us abroad, for such is not the sentiment of our citizens. We refer to this main feature in the defeat sustained, because it is national and humanitarian in its bearing. The other enormities of the constitution are to come squarely down upon the voters and taxpayers of the State, and the collar will very speedily develope those sore spots it will be of no value here to point out in advance. There will be punishment enough for yesterday's business in its appointed time. The main reasons which prevailed to hoodwink the people in their own injury, were apparent to all who visited the crowds at the election precincts yesterday. The great and prominent cry was against "Stump tail Banks" and "Death to Wildcats" and in this sign the victory was won. It was instructive to see men who have never given the cause of the Union one word or thought, men who ooesible the first zeal for lerreting out traitors, were watched and marked as disloyal—blatantly discoursing by the hour at the polls, on the evils of the the wild cat banking, or perhaps urging a mechanic to vote for the Constitution and the "*Mechanics Lien.*" There were no other two war cries more prominent. There were strange companionships sprung out of this new constitution scheme. We cannot greatly regret for itself alone that anything has served to tuck "Liberty and Economy" snugly under the same quilt with the secession *Times*.

But now if ever was a time when human rights can sustain such defeats and still continue fighting. Never before were such mighty agencies abroad for the utter extinction of oppression and the establishment of liberty throughout our land. It will come as resistless as the march of the glacier and the men who in the Missouri convention vote down emancipation measures and their cogeners in Illinois who scheme to keep high and broad the dykes of prejudices of caste and color, and the pride of race which have so long and well served the monster evil of human bondage, will alike be put to confusion and utter rout. "Humanity sweeps onward" and among its early wrecks will bear away the barbarism of Illinois, though re-enacted yesterday.

AN IMPORTANT BILL.

In July last, our representative in Congress, Hon. I. N. Arnold, introduced a bill in the House of Representatives, amending the naturalization laws so that foreign born volunteers in our army, who shall be honorably discharged from service, *can be naturalized on one* year's residence. The bill was laid over at the July session, but was called up during the present session by Mr. Arnold, and passed on the 11th inst. It will undoubtedly pass the Senate. Mr. Arnold has gained the respect of all foreign born soldiers by this law in their behalf.

SEC. 21. *And be it further enacted*, That any alien of the age of twenty-one years and upwards, who has enlisted in the armies or navy of the United States, either in the regular or the volunteer forces, and has been or shall be hereafter honorably discharged therefrom, and who shall make proof of the United States, and that he shall not be required to prove more than one year's residence within the United States previous to his application to become such citizen; and that the court admitting such alien shall, in addition to the proof required by existing laws, be satisfied by competent proof of such person having been honorably discharged from the service of the United States as aforesaid.

THE HEALTH OF OUR ARMY.

We conversed yesterday with two intelligent gentlemen just returned from a visit to our army at Corinth. They had excellent opportunities for observing the points on which they speak, and they say that the health of our army shows a marked improvement within the past few weeks. The lists of sick have fallen off, and men by hundreds have returned to their duties in the field. This they attribute largely to the acclimation of our men with which should be joined the other cause that increased experience in camp life has wrought good results. It is said that one Wisconsin regiment shows a nearly full roll fitor duty. This will be a great disappointment to the rebels, who are looking to see our army melt away before the summer solstice of the South. It will probably appear that Northerners endure a summer campaign better than Southerners even on their own soil. The army is full of fight, and eager to meet and punish the enemy, and loud and bitter were the ejaculations as the evacuation of Corinth put the chance of conflict still further off in time as well distance.

☞ We give to-day elsewhere the very important Army Orders recently issued by the War Department. They pertain to recruiting and furloughs, and will be of interest to many of our readers.

TAKING A TRAITOR AT HIS WORD.

When the secession *Times* speaks of "abolitionists," it includes every man who loves his country more than slavery. Its responsible editor, viewing matters from the stand-point of a traitor, interprets the word according to the vocabulary of traitors. For instance, he openly calls President Lincoln and Secretary Stanton rank abolitionists. He calls all men abolitionists who favor emancipation in the district, the confiscation act, the new treaty for the suppression of the slave trade,—all these he calls abolition measures. The soldier and the citizen who insist that the unconditional submission of rebels must precede forgiveness or restoration, are set down in the same category. He gives to the term the widest possible meaning—the same meaning, in truth, which is attached to it by Southern traitors —proscribes according to the standard of treason, and hates those whom he proscribes with all the rancorous hatred of a traitor in full communion. It is necessary to bear these facts in mind in order to understand what this man means when he calls down curses on "abolitionism."

A few days ago the *Times* declared that it was "more important that abolitionism "should be put down, than that the rebel "armies should be defeated. Now let us take this sentence in its whole meaning. "Abolitionism," as it is understood by the *Times*, is professed by nine-tenths of our soldiers in the field, by more than two million loyal citizens, by the President and his Cabinet, by both Houses of Congress, by nearly every woman and girl who has contributed anything to the wants or the comfort of the men who are fighting our battles; in a word, by those who constitute the power which breasted treason, checked its progress, drove it back, and saved the Republic from destruction. For every man and woman, every boy and girl, who does not reverence slavery, is set down by this organ of secession as an unpardonable abolitionist. We are, therefore, to understand that it is more "important"—in other words, more necessary to the system of government which the *Times* is striving to establish—that President Lincoln and his Cabinet be "put down," than that Jeff. Davis and his junta of scoundrels be overthrown—more important that Washington be captured by the rebels than that they be driven from Richmond—more important that slavery spread over all the States and all the Territories, than that it should lose its foothold in the Federal District—more important that loyal men should be reduced to beggary by taxation, than that the property of traitors should be confiscated—more important that the Republic be overthrown than that the rebellion should fail.

All these inferences must force themselves on the candid reader of the *Times*. The Richmond *Enquirer* and the Charleston *Mercury* have rarely contained utterances more treasonable in spirit. They interpret the word, *Abolitionism*, just as the *Times* does. They use the same cant, and deceive their readers with the same lies. If they have more ability and a higher ambition, they have also more candor. They do sometimes tell the truth. They advocate piracy and treason, because pirates and traitors are their tools. But the *Times* is the tool, the slave, the pack-mule, the dispised hack of traitors. Its disloyalty is simply disgusting. It would "put down" Commodore Foote, world-known as a patriot and Abolitionist, and exalt such cowardly knaves as Hollins and Tatnall. It would "put down" President Lincoln, the advocate of emancipation, and second father of his country, rather than harm Jeff. Davis, the great scoundrel of the age, ring-leader of the rebellion, chief of all the smugglers and marauders, and reputed illegitimate son of a horse thief. But for the known toryism of its editor, we should set down as exquisite irony the complaint of the *Times* about the incarceration of "innocent" men in Fort Warren—all *innocent* in comparison with himself!

THE JUSTICE OF CONFISCATION.

The Louisville *Journal*, in an article more labored than logical, attempts to prove that confiscation of the property of rebels "would be a refinement not only of "stupidity, but of wrong and barbarity, to "which the world could furnish no paral "lel." Three strange and disjointed reasons are offered in support of this extraordinary conclusion: First, that we are engaged in putting down a simple rebellion, and that rebellion is not war; second, that the rebel junto is an established government *de facto*; submission to which on the part of the people of the rebel States is a necessity, not a crime; third, that the Federal Government, in permitting this rebellion to assume such formidable proportions, is itself chiefly to blame for the consequences. And for those reasons the *Journal* opposes the whole scheme of confiscation.

The *Journal* proceeeds upon the assumption that confiscation is to sweep away all the property of all the innocent people in the rebel States. Now everybody knows that no such thing is intended. Only those who have played a conspicuous part in treason will forfeit their property. Quiet people who were forced reluctantly to submit to the domination of the rebels, will not be disturbed. But the *Journal* tries to create the impression that only this class of persons will be punished. It makes no allusion to those who set up "the government *de facto* to which the southern people yielded their allegiance." It points out "innocent" people as the intended victims; and then, with simulated virtue, opposes all confiscation. This is simply a very shallow and dishonest way of hiding the guilty Kentucky and Missouri swarmed with traitors, whose crimes have cost the loyal north thousands of lives and millions of treasure. Were they forced into rebellion by a government *de facto?* Would loyalty have cost them the price of "martyrdom?" Were the leaders of the rebellion anywhere driven into war against their country? These are the men at whom confiscation is aimed.

The *Journal* is very unfortunate in recognizing the rebel junto as a government *de facto*, able to command the respect and obedience of eight millions of people, and yet declaring it unable to carry on a contest rising to the dignity of a war. The present contest it insists, is only a rebellion; and an unsuccessful one at that. But an unsuccessful rebellion is a riot on a large scale. The punishment of riot is fine; the punishment of rebellion is confiscation. That is an end of the matter.

Still more unfortunate is the allusion to the civil war in England during the reign of Charles the First. The Southern rebellion has no resemblance to it. That was a contest between the King and the Parliament—between two branches of the same government—not an attempt of a dozen counties to break away from the nation. Neither side was trying to dismember Britain. The victorious side ruled over the whole country; was recognized by all foreign powers; made wars, and conquests, and treaties. During the continuance of its rule there was not even the shadow of a rival government, claiming the allegiance of the British people. Of course it was no crime to yield obedience to the only existing authority. But our Government remains perfect in all its parts. Its authority is as binding as ever. The Union has neither been dissolved nor impaired. We have the constitution, the laws, the President, the Congress, the supreme court, the Federal capital, the Territories, the national flag, the army, the navy, the commercial treaties, and the official intercourse with all foreign powers. We have all that constitutes the Union in its whole force, with supreme authority, and commanding the rightful allegiance of the people of the entire country. The southern rebellion is simply treason, the mildest punishment of which is confiscation; and there is no good reason why we should depart from a just and well established rule.

A few resolute loyal men in each of the rebel States would have prevented the rebellion. They were not found. Timorous peace men there were in abundance, who deprecated war; but not a hand would they raise for their country. They were forced into secession because they were too cowardly to remain loyal. They were willing to fight for the Union on condition that the Union should do their share of fighting; otherwise, they were ready to swear allegiance to any power which might set itself over them. Government they always considered as something separate and distinct from the people; not their creature or representative, but their master. It is hardly fair to charge the cowardice of such people to the Government, badly as it was conducted under a pro-slavery Administration. The obvious purpose is, to prepare the way for bringing in against the Government claims of professedly loyal men for damages sustained by depredations committed by rebels. We can tell the *Journal* in advance, that those claims will never be adjusted except by confiscation. The project may as well be abandoned now. If it be unconstitutional to compel traitors to make reparation for property which they have destroyed, can men of approved loyalty be made to pay for it? This piece of characteristic diplomacy is thoroughly understood, and will be thoroughly brought to shame and confusion. One other fact we shall call to the attention of the *Journal*. "Nowhere among "nations in any age of the world," did men who took a leading part in a rebellion such as the one we are now crushing out, escape with a lighter punishment than confiscation.

THE STUMPTAIL CRY.

The electioneering cry in this city raised by the secession *Times* and John Wentworth was, "down with Stumptail, vote for the "New Constitution and you will get hard "money." The laboring men were carried away by this preposterous humbug, and not less than 1,000 Republicans in this city and county were just weak and silly enough to be gulled in this way.

☞ The people of a republic, assailed by a power based on servitude, and relying for success on the sympathy of kings, and yet commanded to choke down every rising impulse of liberty, is a spectacle which the world never before saw.

NASSAU, N. P.

Just now the name and locality of Nassau figures largely in dispatches pertaining to the blockade. Does an exemplification of British neutrality in our war, in the shape of a sea-going steamer, loaded down to the guards with firearms, powder and military goods, make a clearance in an English port, it is for Nassau, N.P. Well, where is Nassau? It is the seat of government of the Bahama Isles, located on the island of New Providence, about 300 miles due east of Key West, and a run of 500 odd miles S.S.E. from Savannah. The place numbers 7,000 inhabitants, intensely British in their sympathies, and the best of haters of our Government, because the foundation of this interesting society was laid about the time of the revolution, when the double-extract tories fled from the wrath to come and made a new home in the Bahamas. The are admirers of the negro-drivers' rebellion, and do all they can to aid it. Our dispatches elsewhere refer to an attempt on a more formidable scale than usual, for running the blockade, by a fleet of vessels, with a war craft in attendance to beat off our cruisers. Perhaps our Government would do well to send out a couple of our steamers and tow the island of New Providence into New York harbor, there to be kept until promise of future good behavior. That, or let Com. Elletts rams loose to butt it off its coral reefs into the sea.

CHICAGO PRODUCE TRADE.

The following table shows the receipts and shipments of leading articles for the week ending June 14, 1862:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbl	57,907	49,136
Wheat, bu	180,527	210,503
Corn, bu	1,587,769	610,300
Oats, bu	94,737	75,780
Rye, bu	16,109	10,663
Barley, bu	10,318	865
Seeds, lbs	5,500	9,414
Pork, brls	240	317
Cut Meats, lbs	113,630	35,685
Lard, lbs	1,253,100	1,032,300
Tallow, lbs	1,905	58,436
Live Hogs, No	3,190	4,228
Dressed Hogs, No		
Beef Cattle, No	4,102	3,801

The following table shows the receipts of Flour, Grain, Live Stock, &c., since Jan. 1st to date for three years:

	1862.	1861	1860
Flour, brls	620,148	532,905	456,616
Wheat, bu	3,816,366	4,220,507	1,561,433
Corn, bu	1,250,338	7,511,670	1,102,601
Oats, bu	410,756	1,149,971	341,316
Rye, bu	407,626	174,171	61,194
Barley, bu	410,701	964,093	186,398
Seeds, lbs	2,845,328	2,559,175	2,597,314
Pork, brls	36,894	31,223	19,376
Cut Meats, lbs	16,992,196	5,159,150	6,127,670
Lard, lbs	18,924,381	5,790,559	3,923,573
Tallow, lbs	219,067	121,437	81,530
Live Hogs, No	1,200	138,874	81,530
Dressed Hogs, No	173,963	144,115	45,240
Beef Cattle, No	30,580	29,911	16,308

FLOUR AND GRAIN IN STORE IN CHICAGO.

The following table shows the amount of flour, wheat and corn in store on the 16th inst., compared with the amount in store a week since, and that in store at the same period in 1861:

	June 16, 1862.	June 9, 1862.	June 15, 1861.
Flour, brls	56,187	59,495	98,250
Wheat, bu	1,166,764	840,796	444,043
Corn, bu	2,569,464	1,752,098	2,481,673

What Secession Means.

The Louisville *Courier*, once the organ of the Breckinridge democracy of Kentucky, removed to Bowling Green, and afterwards further South. It was at Nashville it put forth the following philosophy of the rebellion, which we commend to the earnest attention of Northern people. If the Union be reconstructed on the plan advocated by Dick Richardson, Vallandigham & Co., "the late secession *Times*, the "Norman Cavalier" will again rule the "Saxon Yankee." But read and inwardly digest:

"This has been called a fratricidal war by some, by others an irrepressible conflict between freedom and slavery. We respectfully take issue with the authors of both theories. It is a war of brothers of the Yankees, and the slavery question is merely the pretext, not the cause, of the war. The true irrepressible conflict lies fundamentally in the hereditary hostility, the sacred animosity, the eternal antagonism, between the two races engaged.

"The Norman cavalier cannot brook the vulgar familiarity of the Saxon Yankee, while the latter is continually devising some plan to bring down his aristocratic neighbor to his own detested level. Thus was the contest waged in the old United States. So long as Dickinson doughfaces were to be bought, and Cochrane cowards to be frightened, so long was the Union tolerable to Southern men; but when, owing to divisions in our ranks, the Yankee hirelings placed one of their own spawn over us, political connection became unendurable, and separation necessary to preserve our self-respect.

"As our Norman kinsmen in England, always a minority, have ruled their Saxon countrymen in political vassalage up to the present day, so have we, the 'slave oligarchy,' governed the Yankees till within a twelvemonth. We framed the constitution, for seventy years molded the policy of the government, and placed our own men, or 'northern men with southern principles,' in power.

"On the 6th of November, 1860, the Puritans emancipated themselves, and are now in violent insurrection against their former owners. This insane holiday freak will not last long, however, for, dastards in fight, and incapable of self-government, they will inevitably again fall under the control of the superior race. A few more Bull Run thrashings will bring them once more under the yoke, as docile as the most loyal of our Ethiopian 'chattels.'

At Their Dirty Work Again.

The secessionists of the Ferando Wood stripe are at their dirty work again in New York. Almost daily, insidious advertisements, intended to produce disturbances among mechanics and working men generally, appear in the morning papers. The motive of these advertisements is different from what would appear at first view. They are intended by their authors, not for effect in that city, but to give the impression to people abroad that these classes are getting poor and desperate, and that a revolution is impending, which, in the language of one of these advertisements, "threatens to unsettle the very foundations of government and society." The *Journal of Commerce*, in speaking of these nefarious designs of rebel sympathisers, says it is the remark of all that no winter has ever passed when there was less apparent suffering than the last, and that the weekly lists now reported at the Alms House are much less than ever before.

CHARLESTON AND ITS APPROACHES.

Federal Operations on James Island.

EXPLANATION OF THE DIAGRAM.

No. 1. Fort Sumter.
No. 2. Fort Moultrie.
No. 2. Castle Pinckney.
No. 4. The sunken vessels of the stone fleet.

FROM GEN. HUNTER'S COMMAND.

THE MOVEMENT ON CHARLESTON.

SHARP WORK ON JAMES' ISLAND.

THE NEST OF SECESSION IN DANGER.

There is good reason to believe that by this time the foul nest of secession is in our hands. It will interest our Chicago readers to add that among the arrivals at New York yesterday, as made known by telegraph last evening, was Major Edward Wright of this city, attached to Gen. Hunter's staff, and wounded in one of the skirmishes below referred to.

Elsewhere we present a map of Charleston and its approaches by sea, accompanying in a timely manner our dispatches and news from that section. The charicteristics of the Southern coast, in deep inlets and creeks fringing the main land with clusters of islands, gives a decided advantage to the assailing party. Fort Beauregard (Fort Walker), off Savannah, the fortifications, erected at vast expense, play no figure in its defense. The Federal army have landed at Stono Inlet, on James Island, and intelligence has been received at Port Royal that the Union gunboats had taken possession of Stono Creek, and captured all the batteries on it, and the Union troops were within four miles of Charleston. Capt. Stewart, of the steamer Columbo which arrived at Port Royal on the 15th, from Port Royal, reports that on the 8th inst. the firing of Charleston was heard very heavy firing in the direction of that city.

NEW YORK, June 17.—The New York *Times'* Port Royal correspondent, under date of June 12th, states that Brigadier General Wright landed at Seabrook's Point, May 31st. The 8th Connecticut had a severe fight and a skirmish with the rebels June 1st, and drove them across the river, and took possession of the bridge over the creek.

Generals Hunter, Benham and Stevens, with a good force, went to Stono Inlet, accompanied by eight gunboats, and landed on James Island without opposition.

On the 8th, two companies of the Roundhead regiment penetrated into the enemy's lines, and had not proceeded far, but the 8th Michigan succeeded in relieving them, and drove the enemy, who retreated with Captain Kline, of the Scouts, prisoners, and captured the horses of the former position, and captured three guns, destroying the remaining one.

The Rebel officers had informed the spy the approaches to Charleston are lined with batteries, and every inch of ground will be hotly contested.

The Hilton Head correspondent of the *Times*, 15th, states the colonel commanding at Beaufort got scared at the reported landing on Port Royal Island of 5,000 rebels, but Beaufort was quickly depopulated. A gunboat reconnoissance proved the report to be untrue.

Gen. Hunter has taken from the vicinity of Charleston, leaving Benham in command. The fall of Charleston will become a matter of history soon.

The colored regiment is not disbanded, and a company is detailed daily, loading and unloading vessels.

THE MOVEMENT ON CHARLESTON.

[Correspondence of the N. Y. Tribune.]

HILTON HEAD, STONO R., S. C., June 9, 1862.

The combined preparation which has been so long sounding proves but the opening measure to another lively tune about to be played in Dixie.

Early on the morning of the 2d the U. S. transport Delaware swung from the pier at Hilton Head, having on board material for the construction of a battery, and a small military company of our flag and forces to whatever may befit of that seething vat of treason, the city of Charleston. Next to Boston, that is our Delaware swing, but many others like-wise. Preceded by the little Flora, we entered Stono Inlet on the afternoon of the day.

Nothing of importance occurred until our arrival at Legareville, a small village consisting of a few deserted houses, situated on the left bank of Stono River, where we dropped our anchor for the friendly meantime. Legareville was found deserted, not even a contraband showing his face. The place contains two churches both of which have been despoiled by the enemy. Every furniture, both in and out of doors, gave evidence of a hasty exit. The place was invested and pickets established.

Across the river a point was once driven, for the defense of the place, a stockade of timber spiles, which, however, gave but little hindrance to the advance of our gunboats, who made a passage between the two and afternoon motion of Mr. CLARK so as to make it one hundredth degree with the Territory of Nebraska, and adopted.

A large number of amendments proposed by the committee were adopted on motion of different Senators. A number of names were added to the list of corporators of the bill reported to the Senate.

Adjourned.

☞ HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The House went into committee of the whole on the State of the Union.

Mr. PHELPS of Mo. in the chair, and proceeded to the consideration of the special order, consisting of the bill to authorize an additional issue of United States treasury notes.

Mr. SPAULDING of N. Y., said the mode adopted was the best for raising money, and worked well as a war measure. Neither executive or legislative departments could place a limit to the expenditures of the government in time of war. All they could do was to contract a debt which is necessary to sustain our army and navy, as all parties are agreed that there must be a vigorous prosecution of hostilities.

Therefore all parties should afford means for that purpose. The Secretary of the Treasury ought to be clothed with the power to go out so extensively that not a car crossed the line from eight a. m. till eleven the next a. m. This was bad enough in its direct and positive effects, not to speak of the suggestions; but more remains.

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To-day two intelligent contrabands came in from Charleston, and report that the most of the people are removed, and that the general expectation seemed to be a surrender of the city. They say the Confederate force in town is destitute, some being barefoot, and all innocent of rations. Their representations convey a decided impression of demoralization and want.

FROM THE ARMY BEFORE RICHMOND.

MORE FROM THE RECENT REBEL RAID.

NEW YORK June 17.—The correspondent of the New York *Times* in the army of the Potomac, on the evening of the 15th says:—The right wing of the army to-day was attacked by the rebels about 11 o'clock, who succeeded in capturing nearly all the pickets of company H, 5th regiment of cavalry. A scouting party of the rebels, numbering a large rebel force, but made a good fight on the retreat. Our small force burned and destroyed their stores. The rebels succeeded in taking a few prisoners. Our force retreated to the Chickahominy, but the rebels did not follow. The rebels now hold a position at Old Church, but probably will be driven from it to-morrow."

Another correspondent, dated four o'clock, June 16th, states that the "1st Excelsior charged on the rebels, driving them out of some deserted house, but being reinforced, the rebels again advanced and burnt the house. Five of the Excelsior were killed. Several rebels were seen to fall.

"An attack is momentarily expected, and the cannon, ammunition, &c., have been sent to the rear and the troops kept under arms."

The New York *Tribune's* correspondent, under date of Mechanicsville Station, June 14th, says: "The down train from our advance last evening to White House was attacked by the enemy, four miles from the latter station, which is the terminus of the road. This road is the principal machine which supplies our army with food and ammunition, and which rapidly increases from day to day as more is worked well as a war measure. Neither executive or legislative departments could place a limit to the expenditures of the government in time of war. All they could do was to contract a debt which is necessary to sustain our army and navy, as all parties are agreed that there must be a vigorous prosecution of hostilities.

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MORE FROM THE RECENT REBEL RAID.

NEW YORK June 17.—The correspondent of the New York *Times* in the army of the Potomac, on the evening of the 15th says:—The right wing of the army to-day was attacked by the rebels about 11 o'clock, who succeeded in capturing nearly all the pickets of company H, 5th regiment of cavalry. A scouting party of the rebels, numbering a large rebel force, but made a good fight on the retreat. Our small force burned and destroyed their stores. The rebels succeeded in taking a few prisoners. Our force retreated to the Chickahominy, but the rebels did not follow. The rebels now hold a position at Old Church, but probably will be driven from it to-morrow."

Another correspondent, dated four o'clock, June 16th, states that the "1st Excelsior charged on the rebels, driving them out of some deserted house, but being reinforced, the rebels again advanced and burnt the house. Five of the Excelsior were killed. Several rebels were seen to fall.

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Indiana for the Union and the War.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

INDIANAPOLIS, June 17, 1862.

The grand Union Convention of Republicans and unconditional Union Democrats meets in this city to-morrow. Already the city is crowded to overflowing. Thousands have been pouring in to-day from all parts of the State, and immense crowds are expected to-morrow. The enthusiasm is immense. Men of all parties joining hands against the infamous Bright and Voorhees Democracy. The ticket they will nominate will sweep the State like wild-fire. The only platform will be a vigorous prosecution of the war against the rebels. A prominent Indiana Democrat said to-day in my hearing: "*We must confiscate all Southern property*, and remunerate the Union men after the war is over. You cannot tell who they are now." The Democrats are canvasing and will probably consent to take the offices of Superintendent of Public Instruction, and Attorney General, both now vacant. Albert Lange, State Auditor, William A. Peele, Secretary of State, and Jonathan Harvey, State Treasurer, all Republicans, will probably be re-nominated. The Convention meets at ten o'clock in the State House Grounds in the open air, and Gov. Morton will preside. The nominations of State officers will be reported to the convention for ratification by congressional district committees, and strong war resolutions will be passed.

This evening there is an immense war meeting in progress at the State House, Hon. Thomas L. Smith, ex-Judge of the Supreme Court, presiding. Hon. Daniel Mace, ex-member of Congress, a strong Democrat, made a rousing speech upon the war, pitching into the Buchanan and the sore-foot Democrats and Union-men-with-us-if, and making the fur fly under his telling blows.

To-morrow will probably see gathered the largest meeting ever held in Indianapolis. It will last only one day.

The Election.

The following is the vote in this city yesterday on the constitutional question so far as we were enabled to obtain the returns, last evening. It will be seen that the vote is very small, perhaps 2,000 less than last spring. The friends of the measure turned out promptly to a man, while its enemies were luke-warm and neglected a duty for which there was no excuse.

	For New Con.	Ag. New Con.
Ward 1	438	953
Ward 2	705	765
Ward 3	456	1,000
Ward 4	360	232
Ward 5	ma).	8 10
Ward 6	796	760
Ward 7	maj. 453	
Ward 8	567	583
Ward 9	330	460
Ward 10	1220	509
	5462	6610
Majority for New Constitution in city		853

CAMP DOUGLAS.

A vote was taken yesterday at Camp Douglas on the New Constitution with the following result.

SIXTY-FIFTH REGIMENT.

For Constitution	66
Against "	326

SIXTY-NINTH REGIMENT.

For Constitution	36
Against "	327

SIXTY-SEVENTH REGIMENT.

For Constitution	90
Against "	355
TOTAL.	
For Constitution	192
Against "	740
Majority against Constitution	548

Returns from the Country

[Special Dispatches to the Chicago Tribune.]

AMBOY, Lee County, Ill., June 17th, 1862.

The vote on the new constitution, Fort 134; against it, 396; total 530.

WOODSTOCK, McHENRY CO., June 17.

107 majority against the constitution. There was a full turnout, and the probable majority in the county is 2,500.

PRINCETON, BUREAU CO., June 17.

Our vote here is, for the constitution 153; against it, 406; majority 253.

AURORA, KANE CO., June 17.

Parks and the Aurora boys have made a bully good fight. This city gave 923 majority against old "Liberty and Economy," and his secession associates.

KANKAKEE, June 17.

The vote on the new constitution shows a majority of 194 against it, out of 438 votes cast.

BOURBONNAIS GROVE, June 17.

200 majority against.

MANTENO, June 17.

114 majority against. Paddock, Douglas democrat, and member of the constitutional convention, is gloriously sustained. Kankakee county is undoubtedly given 1,500 majority against the *thing*.

MONEE, June 17.

65 majority against.

MATTESON, June 17.

120 against, 4 for.

THORNTON STATION, June 17, 1862.—Ninety-eight votes polled out of 202 in town, and one in favor of the new constitution swindle.

For the new constitution	10
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[To the Associated Press.]

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PECATONICA, June 17.—Sixty-one for and 229 against.

ROCKFORD, June 17.—The official vote of Rockford is for the new constitution 312; against new constitution, 955—total majority against, 643.

FURTHER RETURNS.

	For.	Against.
Barrington (Cook county)	16	187
Lemont	maj. 43	
South Chicago	7	
Palos	44	
Worth (Cook, Cook Co.)	160	
Lyons (Cook county)	55	
Joliet (Will county)	626	
Galena (Jo Daviess)	0	
Rock Island (Rock Island)	169	
Springfield (Sangamon)	253	
Ottawa (LaSalle)	130	
Logan county		maj. 200
Ottawa (Whiteside)		101
Fulton		37
Morrison		100
Sterling		200
Dixon (Lee county)		197
Portland (DeKalb)		139
Sycamore		90

FROM GEN. BANKS' DEPARTMENT.

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The Tribune.
CHICAGO, THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 1868.

Important Financial Letter.

Letter of Secretary Chase to Thaddeus Stevens, Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means of the House of Representatives.

Sir: The Act of July 14, 1862, authorizing the issue of United States notes, provides that the Secretary of the Treasury may, from time to time, sell the notes issued under the Act, at such rates and in such amounts as he may deem most advantageous to the interests of the United States, but at not less than par in coin; and that the proceeds of such sales shall be used to purchase or redeem, at par, bonds or other obligations of the United States, which may be selected by the Secretary, with a view to the most economical application of the money. The Act of March 3, 1863, authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury to issue, in exchange for United States notes, certificates of indebtedness, bearing interest at not exceeding six per cent. per annum, and redeemable at the pleasure of the United States at any time after two years from their date. The Act of June 30, 1864, authorizes the issue of United States notes, to an amount not exceeding four hundred millions of dollars, in addition to the amount then authorized by law, and provides that the Secretary of the Treasury may, at his discretion, use the proceeds of the sales of such notes, to the extent of one hundred millions of dollars, for the redemption of the principal of the public debt, under such regulations as he may prescribe. The Act of March 3, 1865

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FROM THE SOUTH.

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[From the Richmond Examiner, June 5.]

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[From the Richmond Enquirer, June 6.]

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ENGLISH VIEWS.

LAMENTATIONS FOR THE REBELS OF NEW ORLEANS.

[From the London Times, May 26.]

What is passing in New Orleans may teach us what the apprehensions of these desperate people are, and what is the nature of the fate they dread. The proclamation of Gen. Butler realizes all that has ever been told of tyranny by victor over vanquished. The state of slavery ordered by a negro in New Orleans is even more absolute than that now suffered by the whites of that city. They are compelled, under pain of "severe punishment," to treat the Federal flag with the utmost deference and respect, which is treating the New Orleanists much as Cromwell treated the Irish. They are compelled to open their shops and their places of amusement whether they wish to do so or not, and while the shops and theatres are thus open they are liable to any fine which may be taken by Gen. Butler's garrison, or any of their friends, must not be resented, on pain of Northern punishment. The Northern people must be brought to realize the impossibility of the task they have undertaken, or that, if possible, it would not be desirable to accomplish it.

There is something about the Bench of Bishops:

"The bishops in this country are as rich as bankers. They have palaces, lands, fields and money, which they lend to the Rothschilds at ten per cent. They hoard up for their wives and children—for they are married and have families, like St. Synesius, Bishop of Tripoli. Their sons are the captains in the army, and the revenues of the church do the honors to the ladies. The bishop keeps his pack of hounds for foxhunting, and is not the last to ride to the chase and to clear a hedge; for he is above all a gentleman and he loves sport. The bishops, rich, envying good health, fond of good living, of spiritual preferment, of worldly honors (and sometimes they say excellent topers), will not willingly permit the laws of the church to be violated by their colleagues, as they have the law in their hands, they enforce respect to it. Bishops have seats in the House of Lords; they give their opinion on public affairs, and they vigilantly watch over the maintenance and augmentation of their revenues. They are ugly customers to deal with. They pounce upon a poacher who encroaches upon their land, and they punish with fine the heretic who does not go to prayer. Civil courts and civil magistrates, they are doubly to be dreaded. Add to this, that bishops are the younger brothers of lords, and that between them and their eldest brothers there is a strong alliance. In England, as elsewhere, the high clergy and the nobility are always together. Who passes treaty, who draws up the conditions, who composes the long speech and the lawyers. The lords support with all their might the old feudal laws which were made by them and for them, and the lawyers do not detest this subtle, clear, cutting, logical application, which embarrasses other citizens and occasions a vast amount of litigation."

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If the whole story is a mystery as well as a marvel. It is almost as hard to believe what has occurred as to imagine what will finally happen. Only two months have changed an untaxed republic into two military confederacies, engaged in desperate war with each other, and burdened already with debts exceeding the entire public indebtedness of Britain. That he be publicly disgraced before the division, and serve one year in the District of Columbia jail; and that he be dishonorably discharged the service. These sentences, and the reverses of the church do the honors to the ladies. The bishop keeps his pack of hounds for foxhunting, and is not the last to ride to the chase and to clear a hedge; for he is above all a gentleman and he loves sport. The bishops, rich, envying good health, fond of good living, of spiritual preferment, of worldly honors (and sometimes they say excellent topers), will not willingly permit the laws of the church to be violated by their colleagues, as they have the law in their hands, they enforce respect to it. Bishops have seats in the House of Lords; they give their opinion on public affairs, and they vigilantly watch over the maintenance and augmentation of their revenues. They are ugly customers to deal with. They pounce upon a poacher who encroaches upon their land, and they punish with fine the heretic who does not go to prayer. Civil courts and civil magistrates, they are doubly to be dreaded. Add to this, that bishops are the younger brothers of lords, and that between them and their eldest brothers there is a strong alliance. In England, as elsewhere, the high clergy and the nobility are always together. Who passes treaty, who draws up the conditions, who composes the long speech and the lawyers. The lords support with all their might the old feudal laws which were made by them and for them, and the lawyers do not detest this subtle, clear, cutting, logical application, which embarrasses other citizens and occasions a vast amount of litigation."

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HEADQUARTERS 34TH REGIMENT N. Y. VOLUNTEERS,
NEW BRIDGE, May 29, 1862.

Special Order No. 29.

Capt. Henry C. Kelly, Company I, 34th Regiment N. Y. Volunteers, having been found guilty by a court-martial convened by Special Order No. 26, from these headquarters, of the following charges, viz:

1st. Disobedience of orders.

2d. Conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman.

3d. Conduct prejudicial to good order and military discipline.

Specification.—In this, that he, the said Capt. Henry C. Kelly, Company I, 34th Regiment N. Y. Volunteers, did, on the 27th day of May, 1862, refuse to obey the order of Lieut.-Col. Carroll, commanding the regiment, to parade his company for dress parade, and did order his company to stack arms and go to their tents, and did refuse to parade his company for dress parade, and did refuse to obey the order of Lieut.-Col. Carroll, commanding the regiment, to parade his company for dress parade, and did order his company to stack arms and go to their tents, and did refuse to parade his company for dress parade.

And he, the said Capt. Henry C. Kelly, Company I, 34th Regiment N. Y. Volunteers, was found guilty of the charges and specification, and sentenced to be dishonorably discharged the service, and to serve one year in the District of Columbia jail; and the proceedings of the court-martial in the case of the said Capt. Henry C. Kelly, Company I, 34th Regiment N. Y. Volunteers, having been approved by the General commanding the division, the sentence is hereby confirmed, and the said Capt. Henry C. Kelly, Company I, 34th Regiment N. Y. Volunteers, is hereby dismissed the service of the United States.

By order of Brig.-Gen. Blenker.

(Signed) G. D. Wagner, Colonel,
Major Gen'l Commanding.

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The Mexicans Defeat the French.

NEW YORK, June 13.—The steamer British Queen, with Havana dates to the 7th and Nassau to the 9th, arrived this evening. Among her passengers is Mr. Plumb, bearer of the ratified postal convention and extradition treaty with Mexico.

The news from Mexico of the 1st inst., confirms the defeat of the French troops by the Mexicans, 500 of the former being killed and 700 taken prisoners; but the latter were released, as there was not food enough to feed them. The Mexicans are actively fortifying the capital, and the French will march against it when reinforcements arrive.

The statement was current in Havana that the French Government had made inquiries of Mexico as against the United States. Great disaffection exists among the French officers, and they long to repeat the Napoleonic. The English minister has concluded a treaty with Doblado and it is said that Ceballos, agent of Gen. Prim, has also concluded a ratification of the Almonte treaty.

Saragoza has a force of 14,000 men and Orizaba was expected in Mexico with 8,000 more, and recruits are coming in from all points.

Marquez is in Vera Cruz and was about enforcing a forced loan on foreign merchants and it was supposed that the English Admiral would protest, though some thought he would not, as it might displease the French.

FROM McCLELLAN'S ARMY.

A REBEL REGIMENT MUTINIES.

McClellan Amends His Fair Oak Dispatch.

WASHINGTON, June, 13.—Advices from McClellan's headquarters last evening, state that a reconnoissance, made this morning as far as Meadow Bridge, found the enemy quiet, but in force. Some skirmishing had taken place during the day, but with little result on either side. The weather is now good, and the roads improving.

The following dispatch has just been transmitted to Secretary Stanton—also a copy to Gen. Casey:

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF THE POTOMAC,
June 5—11 p. m.

Hon. E. M. Stanton, Secretary of War:

My dispatch of the last inst., stating that Gen. Casey's division, which was in the front line gave way "unaccountably and discreditably" was based upon the statements made to me before I arrived on the field of battle, and while I was there, by several commanders.

From statements made to me subsequently by Gen. Casey and Naglee, I am induced to believe that portions of that division behaved well, and were overpowered by greatly superior numbers; at present the accounts are too conflicting to enable me to discriminate with certainty the facts in the case. I clearly ascertained, the exceptional good conduct will be properly acknowledged.

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FROM GENERAL MITCHELL'S COLUMN.

THE REBELS DRIVEN OUT OF CHATANOOGA, TENN.

The East Tennesseans are Highly Delighted.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., June 12.—A dispatch from Gen. Negley to Gov. Johnson announces the success of his expedition to East Tennessee.

He took eighty prisoners, including a number of prominent officers—a drove of cattle and a large number of horses intended for the rebel army. The defeat of Gen. Adams' rebel force in Sweeden's Cove was more complete than was at first represented. Adams escaped without his hat, sword or horse.

The rebel batteries at Chattanooga were silenced on the seventh inst., after a heavy cannonading of three hours.

Our forces opened fire the next day, and continued six hours upon the town and rifle pits, driving the enemy out of his works, and continue to evacuate the city.

They burned all the railroad bridges to prevent pursuit. The East Tennesseans came out in crowds along the marsh, and cheered our troops enthusiastically.

A great many applications are made at the executive office for passes to Memphis.

GEN. NEGLEY'S LATE EXPEDITION.

[Huntsville Cor. Cincinnati Commercial, 7th.]

Under an order from Gen. Mitchell, Gen. Negley, in charge of a heavy force, left Fayetteville on Monday last, to pay a *friendly* visit to the large bodies of guerrillas infesting the counties of Franklin and Marion, in East Tennessee, with additional instructions to call on Chattanooga, if possible, and Mitchell seldom deems anything impossible in his department.

These guerrillas have been making sad havoc among the people of that section, destroying the property of Union men, and all those who will not yield to the edicts of the Confederate conscription act. Hundreds of men have taken refuge in the mountains to escape imprisonment into the rebel service—not only white, but black men—leaving their new crops untended, their families subjected to every species of insult, their last ear of corn and peck of meal taken, horses and cattle carried off, and they left in comparative destitution.

Mitchell has been aware of these facts for some time, and has only waited a fitting opportunity to surprise them. That opportunity has arrived. As this, it needed the right kind of a leader; that leader was Gen. Negley. Negley is bold, brave, and ardent in his attachment to the cause that has called him out from his Pennsylvania home. His worth is known and, highly appreciated by our commanding general. He is a Pennsylvanian, and reflects great honor on the old Keystone State. He found no rebel forces between Fayetteville and Winchester. On reaching Winchester, he learned that the rebel general Adams was in command of a heavy force of rebels at Jasper, some thirty miles distant. He at once determined to surprise them. In order to do this, he was compelled to make a forced march, some twenty miles, over a rough, mountainous country. This was accomplished. He